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Letters Sent to

Philadelphia Mint

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November 5, 1935.

Superintendent, United States Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.
" " " " San Francisco, Calif.
" " " " Denver, Colo.
" U. S. Assay Office, New York, N. Y.

Gentlemen:

Herewith please find two copies of Procurement Division's circular letter No. 129 dated October 31, 1935, relative to the making of contracts for gasoline and fuel oil for the fiscal year 1937.

With return of one copy of the enclosures please indicate your requirements if they will be covered by the terms of the circular letter, and if not so covered please advise the Bureau to that effect.

Yours truly,

Dr M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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Encl.

O'R/eh

November 5, 1935.

Government Facilities

Superintendent, US Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.

Please forward today by airmail two specimens of Costa Rican coins already minted to the Minister of Costa Rica, Cathedral Mansions, Center, Washington, D. C.

O'Reilly, Acting Director.

O'R/eh

November 5, 1935.

Government Facilities

Superintendent, US Mint, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Please send ten obverse and fifteen reverse quarter dollar diew to San Francisco.

O'Reilly, Acting Director.

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November 6, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

I am forwarding, under separate cover, a medal of Honorable Raymond T. Baker. Will you please have this medal refinished and returned to the Bureau.

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint.

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November 6, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

Regarding your letter of October 21, we wish to advise that we checked your figures of Nationalization Silver Bullion against ours, week by week, and have found the difference of 43.50 ounces, which we have added to our account to agree with your total.

Every difference with the exception of one, in which the wrong figure was received by wire, were due to our using the figures we received daily up to December 21, 1934, and thereafter, we reported on our statement only even ounces, leaving off the decimal if it was under the half and adding one if it was over the half.

On the enclosed page you will find our totals up to and including November 1, which we trust check with yours.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Taylor Ross

Director of the Mint

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November 6, 1935.

Mr. William Dean,
2720 Folsom Street,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of November 1st. Mr. Charles Devlin, an employee of the United States Mint at Philadelphia, has been employed in the Mint since June, 1934, and has a Civil Service status.

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint.

November 7, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Penna.

Dear Sir:

This Bureau is in receipt of notice of settlement by warrant No. 1511-P for the following:

Mixed Wool Chair Pads	$5.16
Seine Cotton Twine	1.02
	$6.18

The above amounts are chargeable to the current Salaries and Expense appropriation.

If this settlement liquidates encumbrances already set up, please report them as such, as a separate item, on your monthly appropriation transaction statement.

Yours truly,

Nellie Tayloe Ross

Director of the Mint

ACP/mu

November 7, 1935.

Superintendant,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Penna.

Dear Sir:

This Bureau is in receipt of notice of settlement by warrant No. 1444-P for the following:

Mop Handles	$1.68
Cuspidor rubber mats	8.64
	$10.32

The above amounts are chargeable to the current Salaries and Expense appropriation.

If this settlement liquidates encumbrances already set up please report them as such, as a separate item, on your monthly appropriation transaction statement.

Yours truly,

Nellie Tayloe Ross

Director of the Mint

ACP/mu

November 8, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

The following pertains to your September accounts.

Please forward copies of certificates of deposit numbered 3-M-95, 3-M-101, 3-466, 3-508 and 3-587, they not having been previously received.

Voucher No. 3-5874 (Mint No. 275), Barber & Ross, Inc., has charge thereon of 50¢ for freight. Please in the future issue government bills of lading to cover transportation that is chargeable to the Government.

Please forward copy of Bureau authority to support purchase of graphite goods, voucher No. 3-7186 (Mint No. 351), Joseph Dixon Crucible Company.

Voucher No. 3-7866 (Mint No. 360) is returned for indication thereon which of the telephone calls were unofficial. Such indication should likewise be made on all future bills of like character.

Please forward duplicate copy of voucher No. 3-6963 (Mint No. 334) to accompany original, voucher being in favor of another government department.

Copies of purchase orders should accompany all vouchers that involve the issuance of such orders.

Explanation is requested for purchasing lamps and electrical equipment, voucher No. 3-7100 (Mint No. 343), from other than the General Schedule contractor.

The bullion account current record of transfers, both to and from the Treasurer, is $3,898.12 less than the Treasurer reports for such transfers. It is understood that check No. 4318 dated September 14th, for this amount, was cancelled September 21st. Apparently this transaction should be shown in the "Cash" account as both a receipt and a transfer to the Treasurer, and the last sheet of one copy of the account current is returned for amendment accordingly.

Yours truly,

Nellie M. O'Reilly

Director of the Mint.

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Enc.

O'R/eh

November 8, 1935.

Government Facilities

Superintendent, US Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.

Please forward soon as convenient to Mint Denver five pairs one cent dies and five pairs dime dies.

O'Reilly, Acting Director.

OR

GOVERNMENT FACILITIES

NOVEMBER 11, 1935.

SUPERINTENDENT,
U. S. MINT,
PHILADELPHIA, PA.

APPOINTMENTS APPROVED HARRY T. DIETZ AND THEORDORE KLOEREN PATTERN AND CABINET MAKERS REGULAR ROLL AT SIX DOLLARS SEVENTY-TWO CENTS PER DIEM FOR PERIOD NINETY DAYS FROM DATE OF OATH.

O'REILLY
ACTING DIRECTOR

November 12, 1935

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

Herewith please find Statement and Certificate of Award pertaining to Contract T2m-298 for cotton twill. The certificate should be amended with regard to award to lowest bidder and should carry a reference to the Director's letter of authorization as justification for awarding to other than lowest bidder.

Very truly yours,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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November 12, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

There is being forwarded you to-day, by insured registered mail, three silver bars weighing 29.05, 31.25 and 46.20 troy ounces respectively, a total of 106.50 troy ounces.

In exchange for this metal please forward the Bureau 60 ounces of 300mg. discs, and the balance in 200 mg. discs.

Very truly yours,

M. M. O'Reilly

Director of the Mint.

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November 13, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Penna.

Dear Sir:

Enclosed please find voucher which is returned for your signature, as towhether "Delivery at Destination" was or was not by the Government.

Please sign in the executed space and return to us at your earliest possible convenience.

Very truly yours,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint

ACP/mu

November 14, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

There is inclosed with this letter an invitation to bid on silver sheet metal, submitted by the Bureau of Standards. It is understood that the silver sheet is to be fine silver and that it may be furnished in lengths of approximately twenty-five inches each instead of one piece of one hundred inches.

If the Philadelphia Mint is able to supply this material, you are requested to forward your proposal to the Bureau.

Very truly yours,

N. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

Inclosures.
Q/eh

November 14, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

Please forward to the Bureau a quotation on three hundred badges identical to the sketch inclosed, returning the sketch with your reply.

Very truly yours,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

Inclosure.
O'R/eh

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November 14, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

In accordance with the recommendation contained in your letter of November 13th, you are authorized to accept the proposal of James J. Quigley and Son, to furnish your Mint with 9 boiler plate cylinders, at $11.50 each; and 12 sheet iron hoods, at $10.25 each, a total of $226.50.

It is understood the above bid was the only one received of four asked.

Very truly yours,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

O'R/eh

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November 14, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter of November 9th, requesting authority to obtain bids on a compressor which would supply an additional unit of about 20 thousand cubic feet added to the present gas boosting equipment at your Mint, and this authority is granted.

Very truly yours,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

O'R/eh

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November 15, 1935.

I M M E D I A T E

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Revalue today November fifteenth without fail at usual rates nine million six hundred forty six thousand fine ounces purchase act silver bullion and two hundred thirteen thousand fine ounces newly mined domestic silver bullion with usual treatment in accounts and usual report procedure for like transactions.

Nellie Tayloe Ross,
Director Mint.

November 15, 1935.

Superintendent, United States Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.
" " " " San Francisco, Calif.
" " " " Denver, Colo.
" U. S. Assay Office, New York, N. Y.
Assayer in Charge, U. S. Assay Office, Seattle, Wash.
" " " United States Mint, New Orleans, La.

Gentlemen:

Herewith please find an additional list of certain corporations, dated October 30, 1935, received from the Assistant General Counsel of the Bureau of Internal Revenue. Please forward to this Bureau your answer stating whether or not your institution has any claims against any of the listed concerns.

Yours truly,

Nellie Taylor Ross

Director of the Mint.

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November 15, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

This letter will be authority for you to accept the proposals of the highest bidder for scrap metals and old, worn-out equipment for which the Mint has no further use, as follows:

BLUMBERG & NICHOLSON

Approx. 60,000 lbs. scrap iron and steel, mixed, per net ton.....	$7.80
Approx. 4,500 lbs. scrap brass and copper, mixed, per 100 lbs.....	5.30
Approx. 1,000 lbs. scrap die steel, 1.1% carbon, per 100 lbs.....	.35
Approx. 1,000 lbs. scrap medal bronze, per 100 lbs.....	7.15
1 Pratt & Whitney lathe, 14", each.....	5.00
2 Pratt & Whitney lathes, 16", each.....	15.50

ACTIVE STEEL COMPANY

Approx. 4,500 lbs. scrap lead, old, per 100 lbs.....	4.00
Lot of worn out elevator cable, per lot.....	3.00

M. J. HUNT'S SONS

5 Oil tanks, without pumps, per lot.....	2.50

Very truly yours,

Nellie Taylor Ross

Director of the Mint.

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November 18, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

This letter will confirm telephone communication of this morning relative to paint to be supplied by the Procurement Division to your Mint. A letter dated November 15th, today received at this Bureau, states:

> "* * * The Custodian has been authorized to solicit bids for the paints and glass and upon receipt of his recommendation as to the purchase, orders will be placed promptly. The Superintendent was authorized to buy the flatting oil locally. The white paint was ordered approximately ten days ago and is no doubt now in possession of the Superintendent."

Very truly yours,

Nellie Tayloe Ross

Director of the Mint.

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November 18, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

I am returning the two medals forwarded by you recently and one previously received from you, the finish on which is not satisfactory.

I am inclosing a medal marked "Sample" and I will appreciate it if you will return the three medals finished as the sample is finished. I would suggest that you retain this sample medal for guidance.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Taylor Ross

Director of the Mint.

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November 19, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

In accordance with the recommendation contained in your letter of November 13th, you are authorized to purchase from the Philadelphia Steel & Iron Company, the following forgings, for use in manufacturing trucks for the New York Assay Office:

80 axles, at $2.95 each, less ½ of 1% 10 days.
40 yokes, at $4.95 each, less ½ of 1% 10 days.
40 handles, at $2.86 each, less ½ of 1% 10 days.

Very truly yours,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

O'R/eh

November 19, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of November 16th, stating that you could fabricate silver desired by the Bureau of Standards from silver to be furnished.

Will you please advise this Bureau of the cost of fabricating such silver in order that the Bureau of Standards may be enabled to set up an encumbrance.

Very truly yours,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

O'R/eh

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November 21, 1935.

I M M E D I A T E

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Revalue today November twenty first without fail at usual rates four hundred sixty one thousand fine ounces newly mined domestic silver bullion with usual treatment in accounts and usual report procedure for like transactions.

NELLIE TAYLOE ROSS,
Director Mint.

November 21, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

In accordance with the recommendation contained in your letter of November 18th, you are authorized to accept the proposal of the Standard Copper Works for furnishing your Mint with 4 large copper cooling tanks at the rate of $70.00 each; and 1 smaller copper tank at the rate of $38.00, both less 2% ten days.

It is understood that three firms were asked to bid but the above was the only one that submitted a price.

Very truly yours,

N. D. O'Reilly

Director of the Mint.

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Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

In accordance with the recommendation contained in your letter of November 20th, you are authorized to purchase, from the Surface Combustion Corporation, 11 high-pressure burners for use in your gas furnaces, at the rate of $30.50 each.

It is understood that the above bid is the lowest of three received.

Very truly yours,

W. H. O'Reilly

Director of the Mint.

November 22, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

Under date of November 11, 1935, the President indicated his approval of the use, to the extent necessary, of nationalized silver which is not held as security for silver certificates, for the purpose of coining subsidiary silver coins, and under date of November 20, 1935, the Treasury Department has authorized such use up to the amount of 20,000,000 ounces.

Of the above mentioned 20,000,000 ounces there is allocated for use by the Philadelphia Mint not to exceed 12,000,000 ounces. Since your stock of nationalized silver bullion is materially less than this quantity, bookkeeping transfers, increasing your stock of nationalized silver, will be directed by the Bureau when such action becomes necessary.

It is requested that silver pertaining to the accounts Recoinage Silver Bullion and Silver Coinage Bullion be used before using that pertaining to the Nationalized Silver Bullion account, without, however, completely closing out the Silver Coinage Bullion account which is a continuously active account.

Since complete segregation or earmarking of the several established classes of silver bullion cannot be maintained from time of acquisition

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to time of manufacture into usable product, no useful purpose would be served by partial earmarking or segregation. Complete segregation is impossible for the following reasons:

There is unrefined bullion in each of several established classes of silver, viz., Silver Coinage Bullion, Nationalized Silver Bullion, and Newly Mined Domestic Silver Bullion, which unrefined bullion must be refined before becoming usable, and in the refining processes necessarily becomes inseparably mingled with other bullion. There is also the practical operative necessity of making bookkeeping transfers between the several mints and assay offices, to make silver available where it is needed for use without shipping it, which transfers do not affect the total Treasury holdings of any single class, but would nullify attempted earmarking.

It would therefore appear that treatment of the physical bullion as one stock, with use of the refined bullion as needed, would be without prejudice to any one of the classes.

The Nationalized bullion made available for coinage will not be set up in a separate account, but the subsidiary coinage operations will be reflected in the Nationalized account as now maintained, with the usual treatment as regards seigniorage, etc.

Yours truly,

W. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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November 23, 1935.

Superintendent, United States Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.
" " " " San Francisco, Calif.
" " " " Denver, Colo.
" U. S. Assay Office, New York, N. Y.
Assayer in Charge, U. S. Assay Office, Seattle, Wash.
" " " United States Mint, New Orleans, La.

Gentlemen:

Herewith please find additional lists of certain corporations, dated November 21, 1935, received from the Assistant General Counsel of the Bureau of Internal Revenue. Please forward to this Bureau your answer stating whether or not your institution has any claims against any of the listed concerns.

Yours truly,

Jno. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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November 26, 1935.

Government Facilities

Superintendent, US Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.

Please forward to San Francisco fifteen pairs dime dies urgent.

O'Reilly, Acting Director.

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November 26, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

If you have such photographs available, will you please forward to the Bureau one of the old press now stored at your Mint and one of the modern press.

Very truly yours,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

O'R/eh

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November 26, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

I am inclosing letters received today from the State Department, relative to Chinese dies. With the return of these letters will you please advise the Bureau of the charges which should be made, in order that the Chinese Legation may be advised.

Very truly yours,

N. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

Inclosures.
O'R/eh

November 27, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of November 26th, relative to dies for the Mint at San Francisco and the Mint at Denver.

As it is quite certain that the respective Mints will be required to execute coinage of each denomination of subsidiary and minor coins, it will be necessary for you to prepare a resonable number of dies of each denomination to be shipped in time to reach the Mints at San Francisco and Denver before January 1st.

I suggest that, if possible, ten pairs of each denomination be sent. If, in your opinion, this is an excessive number for the first shipment, the number may be reduced by you without further question.

Very truly yours,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

O'R/eh

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November 27, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

The Arkansas Centennial Commission states that they expect to place an order with all three Mints for additional coinage of their commemorative half dollars, the coinage date to be changed to "1936".

Please advise the Bureau if the Arkansas Centennial Commission should be advised that a charge will be made for this change.

Very truly yours,

Acting Director of the Mint.

O'R/eh

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November 29, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

The Bureau is in receipt of a rectangular medal of the President which was obviously cut from one of the circular medals. It is being held for submission to Mrs. Ross' son, who asked for it. Will you please advise me of the cost of this medal.

Last week we received three medals in place of three that were returned to you. The three returned medals had not been paid for. I understand, therefore, that the Bureau owes you for the rectangular medal and for the three recently sent.

I am inclosing one dollar in payment for one of the three medals. Will you please send to the Bureau a voucher covering other medals which have been sent here and which have not been paid for. The bill can be in my name.

Very truly yours,

M. M. O'Reely

Acting Director of the Mint.

Inclosure.
O'R/eh

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November 29, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

I am inclosing specimens of copper coins of the Republic of Liberia. These coins were received by this Bureau from the State Department and are being sent to you as a guide in case preparation of dies or coinage is to be undertaken at your Mint. Please retain these coins until further advised.

I am also inclosing a copy of a letter forwarded to this Bureau by the State Department, which is for your confidential information.

Very truly yours,

M M O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

Inclosures.
O'R/eh

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November 29, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

The Bureau is in receipt of your letter of November 27th, requesting authority to purchase from the Lava Crucible Company of Pittsburgh, 350 graphite dipping cups at the rate of 65¢ each, and 25 graphite rings for your #20 crucible, at the rate of 90¢ each.

It is understood that the bid of the Lava Crucible Company is the lowest of four received on the rings and the equal of the other bids on the dipping cups. Would it not be necessary to draw lots as to the firm from which to purchase the dipping cups?

Very truly yours,

W. H. Rawlins

Acting Director of the Mint.

C'R/eh

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November 30, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

I am inclosing a check for $5,500.00, made to your order by the secretary to the Ambassador of China, to cover the cost of the preparation of certain dies at the Mint.

I am also inclosing a copy of a transmittal letter for your files.

Very truly yours,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

Inclosures.
O'R/eh

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GOVERNMENT FACILITIES

DECEMBER 2, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

TEMPORARY APPOINTMENT NINETY DAYS REGULAR ROLL APPROVED GEORGE F BRADY DIE SETTER AT FIVE DOLLARS PER DIEM STOP RECOMMENDATIONS FOR THIRTEEN MELTERS TWELVE ROLLERS AND TWO ANNEALERS RECEIVED THIS OFFICE AND TRANSMITTED TO SECRETARY BUT NOT YET APPROVED STOP EXCEPTION TAKEN BY CIVIL SERVICE TO DANIEL DESMOND JOHN MCFADDEN GRIFFETH T BOSTIC AND WALTER LEWIS.

O'REILLY
ACTING DIRECTOR

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OR/sh

December 3, 1935.

Government Facilities

Superintendent, US Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.

Authorized to accept following proposals on coin blanks: Scovill Manufacturing Company one hundred thousand nickel blanks at forty-eight cents per pound and thirty thousand bronze blanks at thirty-eight and one-quarter cents per pound and the Riverside Metal Company for one hundred thousand bronze blanks at thirty-eight and one-quarter cents per pound.

O'Reilly, Acting Director.

OR

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December 3, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

The following excerpt is from a telegram received from the Director, who will be away from Washington for several days more:

"Please instruct Mr. Sinnock to make medal President in size and finish like one he and I discussed size small plate".

Will you please convey this message to Mr. Sinnock.

Very truly yours,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

O'R/eh

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GOVERNMENT FACILITIES

DECEMBER 4, 1935.

SUPERINTENDENT,
UNITED STATES MINT,
PHILADELPHIA, PA.

TEMPORARY APPOINTMENTS NINETY DAYS REGULAR ROLL EFFECTIVE DATES OF OATHS APPROVED JACKSON FINEBERG STEINMETZ CANNON MURPHY DARE RHEIN ANASTASI GILMARTIN BEHM EDWARDS AND GAITLEY ROLLERS FIVE DOLLARS PER DIEM HARTLEY MCKEE STUBBS DONAHUE BERSTEIN SUMMERS WASHINGTON BOSTIC LEWIS PHIELDS AND HAGAN MELTERS AT FIVE DOLLARS PER DIEM AND BUDDENDORF AND SCOTT ANNEALERS AT FIVE DOLLARS PER DIEM.

O'REILLY
ACTING DIRECTOR

December 4, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

In reply to your inquiry of December 2, 1935, please be advised that you should forward resignation signed by Mr. John J. May, effective as of the date preceding his appointment in the Post Office. If resignation can not be secured conveniently you should forward your recommendation for his separation as of the same date.

Very truly yours,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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December 5, 1935.

Government Facilities

Superintendent, US Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.

Please forward to San Francisco at once fifteen pairs dime dies.

O'Reilly, Acting Director.

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December 5, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir: Re: Electric truck bids

It has been the practice of the General Accounting Office heretofore that when one or more bids are the same, award should be made by lot. In this case there appear to be four identical bids which would indicate that the award should be made by drawing or by lot if they all bid on the same specifications without any reservations.

In the last sentence of paragraph four, indications are that the bids of all except the Yale and Towne Manufacturing Company were accompanied by some reservations. In that case you could make award to the Yale and Towne Manufacturing Company, who had no such reservations of any sort.

If such is the case, and you make award to the Yale and Towne Manufacturing Company, please type on the reverse of the voucher form a statement in substance the same as paragraph four of your letter of December 3rd. Payment is to be made from the appropriation "Salaries and Expenses, Mints and Assay Offices, 1936".

Very truly yours,

N. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

O'R/eh

December 5, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Penna.

Dear Sir:

This Bureau is in receipt of notice of settlement by warrant #24511 for the following:

Manilla Rope $40.00

The above amount is chargeable to the current Salaries and Expense Appropriation.

If this settlement liquidates encumbrances already set up please report them as such, as a separate item, on your monthly appropriation transaction statement.

Very truly yours,

Acting Director of the Mint

ACP/mu

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December 6, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

In compliance with the recommendation contained in your letter of December 4th, you are authorized to purchase from Charles Pfizer & Co., Inc., 2 barrels of cream of tartar, in 250 pound barrels, at the rate of $0.16½ per pound, less 1½ per cent.

It is understood that the above bid was the lower of two bids received of those invited.

Very truly yours,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

C'M/ch

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December 6, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

In accordance with the recommendation contained in your letter of December 4th, you are authorized to purchase from Charles Pfizer & Co., Inc., 5 barrels of cream of tartar, in 250 pound barrels, at the rate of $0.16½ per pound, less 1% ten days.

It is understood that the above bid was the lower of two bids received of three invited.

Very truly yours,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

C'R/eh

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O'R/eh

December 6, 1935.

Government Facilities

Superintendent, US Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.

Please forward to San Francisco as soon as possible fifteen pairs nickel dies.

O'Reilly, Acting Director Mint.

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December 5, 1935.

Mr. Ernest Ciancaglini,
1505 Ritner Street,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Mr. Ciancaglini:

This will acknowledge your letter concerning your separation from the position of carpenter in the Philadelphia Mint.

Your letter has been referred to the Superintendent of the Mint and that officer has advised that your separation was necessitated by lack of work and that there is no prejudice against you. As to the selection of persons to be dismissed when reductions become necessary, this office is forced to rely upon the judgment of the Superintendent of the Mint, as he is responsible for the performance of duties by his subordinates.

Very truly yours,

W. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 491

December 6, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

This is to advise that the Civil Service Commission has advised this office that it has accepted October 8, 1871, as the correct date of birth of Mr. Thomas F. Farren on the basis of certificate of baptism furnished by him.

Very truly yours,

M. M. O'Reilly

M Acting Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 491

December 6, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

In accordance with the recommendation contained in your letter of December 5th, you are authorized to accept the proposal of M. Segal & Sons to furnish your Mint with 50 dozen pairs of reversible mittens at the rate of $9.25 per dozen pairs; also 20 dozen pairs of buck gloves at the rate of $8.90 per dozen pairs; this being the lowest of three bids received.

It is understood that these mittens and gloves are to be used in the handling of precious metals and that when they become worn out they are to be burned to recover whatever metal may be adhering to them.

Very truly yours,

R. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

O'R/eh

RG104 E-235 Vol 491

December 7, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

I am inclosing a "Notice of Rejection" by the Navy Department of 3600 bars because the bars were split in the center, making them unfit for use.

Will you please explain the cause of this condition to the Bureau.

Very truly yours,

A. W. O'Reiely

Acting Director of the Mint.

Inclosure.
O'R/eh

RG104 E-235 Vol 491

December 7, 1935

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

In connection with efforts being made by this office to obtain formal verification of all service by Mint employees in other Government departments, the Labor Department has advised that it can not verify service of two weeks by Harry J. Boyle as Guard in the Immigration Bureau at Philadelphia. If Mr. Boyle will furnish additional information concerning this service a further attempt will be made to locate record of it.

Very truly yours,

H. M. O'Reilly

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Acting Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 491

December 9, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

I am forwarding by registered mail 41 mutilated nickel pieces which were received at the Treasurer's Office here.

I have borrowed these pieces from the Treasurer to send to you for observation and return with such comment as you may consider pertinent, particularly as to the possible relation of these pieces to alleged theft of nickel pieces of some months ago. The pieces were received by the Treasurer from Detroit for redemption.

Very truly yours,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

O'R/eh

RG104 E-235 Vol 491

December 10, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

Will you please forward at an early date a schedule of your deposits of gold and silver from mines in the United States during the period July, 1935, to the date of your report. This information is desired for use of the United States Bureau of Mines, and should include the date of each such deposit, name of the depositor, his address, State in which mined, and the gold and silver content of each deposit. The E. P. silver in large quantities, from refiners, may be omitted.

Yours truly,

W. H. O'Reilly

F-S

Acting Director of the Mint.

O'R/eh

December 11, 1935.

Government Facilities

Superintendent, US Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.

Please send to San Francisco as soon as possible six large and six small trigger connections for automatic cutout on coining presses.

O'Reilly, Acting Director Mint.

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December 11, 1935

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your recent requisition for forms, etc., in which you request two bound blank books "#967, Record of Uncurrent or Light-weight Domestic Gold Coin Received." Since all gold coins are being converted to bullion, will you please advise the Bureau whether the present supply of this form will not meet your needs as long as there is use therefor.

Yours truly,

M. O'Reel

Acting Director of the Mint.

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December 11, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

The following pertains to your October accounts.

Voucher No. 3-8038 (mint No. 376), Bechtel & Co., jeweler's pliers. Notation on the proposal indicates the articles as imported, whereas certification on dealer's bill says that they are of domestic production. It is also noted that 5" pliers on which no quotation had been received were accepted (at a lower charge) in lieu of 6" pliers which the dealer's bill states "cannot be had." Correct procedure in this case was to invite new bids if 5" pliers were acceptable. The question of domestic product, even at a higher cost, was also for consideration. In this instance these matters will be left for consideration by the General Accounting Office.

Voucher No. 3-9600 (mint No. 458). The usual certification to the effect that the gloves are retained by the Government to obtain any precious metals that might adhere to them is requested.

Vouchers Nos. 8034, 8036 and 8324 (mint numbers 372, 374 and 396). Please forward duplicate copies of these vouchers as they are payable to other government departments.

On regular pay roll for the period September 16 - 30. Edward F. McKernan, at $2,400 per annum, is credited with $90.23, with marginal notation of 1 day 5¾ hours without pay. Please advise of method of computation by which the amount credited was reached.

Please forward Foreign Metals Statement, form 1026, Government of Ecuador, as there was a balance on hand September 30th.

Also please forward credit voucher in support of the 12.58 ounces silver stated in the account of Silver Purchase Bullion.

Yours truly,

W. H. Overall

Acting Director of the Mint.

P-F-S

RG104 E-235 Vol 491

December 14, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

With reference to your letter of December 11, 1935, concerning the amount of bond of Mr. McCann, please be advised that the matter was again taken up with the office of the Chier Disbursing Officer and the Bureau has been advised that they will at once request the issue of a bond, as Agent Cashier, in the sum of $10,000 in lieu of the bond now effective in the sum of $20,000.

This will bring Mr. McCann's bond into agreement with the total heretofore effective, of $30,000.

Yours truly,

H. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

F-S

RG104 E-235 Vol 491

December 16, 1935.

Superintendent,
U S Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

Please forward a complete duplicate set of Forms 1026, Foreign Metals Statements, pertaining to your accounts for the month of February 1935.

Yours truly,

N. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 491

December 17, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Mr. Dressel:

The inclosures are self-explanatory. Have you any recommendation to make with reference to this man? What have you to say concerning his qualifications and general worthiness?

Very truly yours,

Nellie Taylor Ross

Director of the Mint.

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December 18, 1935

I M M E D I A T E

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Revalue today December eighteenth without fail at usual rates five hundred thousand fine ounces newly mined domestic silver bullion with usual treatment in accounts and usual report procedure for like transactions.

Nellie Tayloe Ross
Director of the Mint.

O'R/eh

December 20, 1935.

Government Facilities

Supt., U. S. Assay Office, 32 Old Slip, New York, N. Y.
Supt., U. S. Mint, Phila., Pa.,
Supt., U. S. Mint, Denver, Colo.,
Supt., U. S. Mint, San Francisco, Calif.,
Assayer in Charge, U. S. Mint, New Orleans, La.,
Assayer in Charge, U. S. Assay Office, Seattle, Wash.

Under date of December twelfth President issued Executive Order permitting all Government establishments be closed at one p. m. Tuesday, December twenty-fourth and one p. m. Tuesday, December thirty-first STOP Therefore, all employees your institution except those who may for special public reasons be excluded from the provisions of this Order, or those whose absence from duty would be inconsistent with the provisions of existing law, are excused from duty at one p. m. Tuesday, December twenty-fourth and one p. m. Tuesday, December thirty-first.

Nellie Tayloe Ross,
Director of the Mint.

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December 20, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

This is with reference to your letter of December 18, 1935, making inquiry concerning an employee receiving salary from the Mint and also from the Post Office Department.

If the employee concerned were on a per hour or per diem basis in the Post Office and were in a non-pay status at that office on the Saturday and Sunday involved, then there would be no obstacle to payment to him by you for the one day regular time and two days overtime worked in your institution. However, if he were on a per annum basis in the Post Office, his salary would be held to run through Saturday and Sunday and you therefore would not be allowed to pay him unless he relinquished the corresponding two days pay at the Post Office.

There is no law requiring that the employee resign from his temporary Post Office position before accepting the temporary position in your institution. The only requirement is that he not be in a pay status on the same date in both positions. The same applies to the necessity of his resigning from the position in your institution before returning to duty in the Post Office. However, if it appears that he is to be employed by the Post Office in the immediate future, I would suggest that you recommend termination of his temporary appointment in your institution, as an administrative matter.

Very truly yours,

N. M. O'Reilly

Director of the Mint.

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December 21, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

Please advise the Bureau as to when we may expect your report on gold and silver receipts since June 30, 1935, for the use of the Bureau of Mines, as requested in Bureau's letter of December 10, 1935; also your preliminary reports on form 61-A, requested December 10, 1935.

Yours truly,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

F-S

December 21, 1935.

Assayer in Charge,
United States Mint,
New Orleans, Louisiana.

Dear Sir:

In accordance with the recommendation contained in your letter of December 13th, you are authorized to purchase one Monroe calculating machine, listed as Item 54-M-16395 (E) - (aa), in the General Supply Catalogue, at a price of $425.00 net.

Very truly yours,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

O'R/eh

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GOVERNMENT FACILITIES

DECEMBER 26, 1935.

SUPERINTENDENT,
UNITED STATES MINT,
PHILADELPHIA, PA.

OATHS OF OFFICE AND PERSONAL HISTORY STATEMENTS NOT YET RECEIVED FOR MANY EMPLOYEES WHOSE APPOINTMENTS APPROVED FIRST WEEK IN DECEMBER STOP PLEASE FORWARD AT ONCE.

NELLIE TAYLOE ROSS
DIRECTOR

RG104 E-235 Vol 491

December 27, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

I am forwarding, by registered mail, an English Guinea dated 1793, which was received from The Citizens' National Trust and Savings Bank of Riverside, California, as executor of the Estate of Penelope Sanders, deceased.

Through the Legal Division a letter has been forwarded to you today in regard to this coin.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Tayloe Ross

Director of the Mint.

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Dec. 27, 1935.

Government facilities

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

I will send definite reply at earliest possible moment to your question concerning price of silver. Probably tonight or in the morning.

NELLIE TAYLOE ROSS
Director.

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RG104 E-235 Vol 491

December 28, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

In accordance with the recommendation contained in your letter of December 27th, you are authorized to purchase five different shapes of fire bricks to be used in the building of your melting furnaces, from the General Refractories Company, at a total cost of $278.01.

It is understood that the above bid was the lowest of three received of four asked.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Tayloe Ross

Director of the Mint.

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December 28, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

In accordance with the recommendation contained in your letter of December 27th, you are authorized to purchase from The Nash Engineering Company, through their representatives, The Sherman Engineering Company, a compressor to supply an additional unit of about 20,000 cubic feet to the present gas boosting equipment at your institution.

It is understood that the above bid, at a cost of $1,415.00 less 2% ten days, is the lowest received.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Tayloe Ross

Director of the Mint.

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December 30, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

This letter will be authority for you to accept the proposal of the Joseph Dixon Crucible Company to supply your Mint with 200 graphite stirrers at 30¢ each and 300 #70 crucible covers at $1.75 each, less 1% ten days.

It is understood that three other bids were received, all four being alike as to price, and that you recommend the award be made to the Joseph Dixon Crucible Company for the reason that prompt delivery which they are able to make will be of great advantage to the Mint.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Taylor Ross

Director of the Mint.

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December 31, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

Confirming telephone communication this date, please forward to the United States Mint at San Francisco twelve small one-cent collars and twelve small nickel collars.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Tayloe Ross

Director of the Mint.

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RG104 E-235 Vol 491

December 31, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

The plaster model for the coin authorized to commemorate the three-hundredth anniversary of the founding of the City of Providence, was forwarded to you by express last week.

It is understood, of course, that the Engraver will proceed with the preparation of the dies for this coinage at the earliest practicable date.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Tayloe Ross

Director of the Mint.

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December 30, 1935.

Superintendent, United States Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.
" " " " San Francisco, Calif.
" " " " Denver, Colo.
" U. S. Assay Office, New York, N. Y.
Assayer in Charge, U. S. Assay Office, Seattle, Wash.
" " " United States Mint, New Orleans, La.

Gentlemen:

Herewith please find additional list of certain corporations, dated December 27, 1935, received from the Assistant General Counsel of the Bureau of Internal Revenue. Please forward to this Bureau your answer stating whether or not your institution has any claims against any of the listed concerns.

Yours truly,

Nellie Taylor Ross

Director of the Mint.

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RG104 E-235 Vol 491

January 2, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

With reference to your letter dated November 23, 1935, recommending for appointment twelve men as temporary Rollers on the regular roll, it has been brought to my attention that Mr. Eugene Gilmartin, who was recommended for one of these positions, was reinstated as a Helper on December 4, 1935.

In view of the above fact, will you please forward a cancellation request for his recommendation as Roller as soon as possible.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Taylor Ross

Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 491

January 2, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

In accordance with the recommendation contained in your letter of December 31st, you are authorized to purchase a charger from The Electric Products Company at a cost of $406.74, the lower of two bids received of three invited.

It is understood that the charger is for use in connection with the electric truck which has been ordered for use in your Mint.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Taylor Ross

Director of the Mint.

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RG104 E-235 Vol 491

January 3, 1935.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

In accordance with the recommendation contained in your letter of January 2nd, you are authorized to purchase 50 dozen pairs of reversible "buck" mittens, from the Industrial Gloves Corporation, at the rate of $9.00 per dozen pairs, less 2% 10 days, this being the lowest of three bids received of three asked.

You are also authorized to purchase 50 dozen pairs of waterproof, horsehide gloves from M. Segal & Sons, at the rate of $5.60 per dozen pairs, net, this being the lower of two bids received of three asked.

It is understood that these mittens and gloves are used by your workmen in handling precious metals and that when they become too much worn for further use, they are burned to recover whatever metals may be adhering to them.

Very truly yours,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

O'R/eh

RG104 E-235 Vol 491

January 3, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

The Rhode Island and Providence Plantations Tercentenary Committee, Inc., has requested that the following coinage be made under the Act authorizing the issue of 50, 000 pieces for that Committee: 20,000 pieces at the Philadelphia Mint; 15,000 pieces at the Denver Mint; 15,000 pieces at the San Francisco Mint.

It is understood that preparation of the dies from the design furnished by the Committee is now under way at your Mint. As soon as practicable, please send enough working dies to the Mints at San Francisco and Denver to enable them to execute the above orders.

The Rhode Island and Providence Plantations Tercentenary Committee has been advised that several weeks will elapse before the master die can be prepared and the working dies delivered.

Very truly yours,

D. D. Riddle

Acting Director of the Mint.

O'R/eh

RG104 E-235 Vol 491

January 4, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

I am inclosing a report received from the United States Navy Yard, Washington, D. C., relative to the condition of bars for medals manufactured at your Mint. If you have any further comment to make on the condition of these medals I shall be glad to have you forward it.

It is very embarrassing to find that any work sent out from the Mints has been found to be so defective and I should be glad to have further report from you and an explanation of this condition.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Taylor Ross

Director of the Mint.

Inclosure.
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January 6, 1936.

Supt., U. S. Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.,
Supt., U. S. Mint, Denver, Colo.,
Supt., U. S. Mint, San Francisco, Calif.,
Supt., U. S. Assay Office, New York, N. Y.,
Assayer in Charge, U. S. Assay Office, Seattle, Wash.

Dear Sir:

The Bureau is in receipt of a request from the State of Utah, State Tax Commission, Salt Lake City, requesting a list of all organizations and individuals in Utah who sold amalgam, concentrates, or gold bullion to the Mints in 1934.

Unless the complying with this request involves an unreasonable amount of work, please cause this information to be compiled. If, in your opinion, the request involves an excessive amount of work, I should be glad to have you report to this Bureau your suggestions.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Tayloe Ross

Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 491

January 7, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

I am inclosing a transcript of a cable received by the Chinese Embassy, requesting the manufacture of new master dies for the Government of China.

Mr. Lao Wei-Shiu, First Secretary of the Chinese Embassy, called at this Office today with the request that pencil rubbings of these dies be forwarded to this Office for transmission to him in order that the Chinese Embassy might explain the changes to be made in the dies. The Chinese Embassy has no specimens of these dies on hand and is unable to interpret for us the changes in the Chinese characters without having either a photograph or pencil rubbing of the master dies you have on hand.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Tayloe Ross

Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 491

January 9, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

Herewith please find copies of reports of the Denver Mint, relative to coinage dies of 1935 - a report of the number of pieces struck by dies and a list of unused reverse dies and dies received for the calendar year 1935.

Yours truly,

Nellie Tayloe Ross

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Encls.

Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 491

January 9, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

I am enclosing a bullion deposit form 104b made out by A. Bartley & Son, 237 Church Street, Norfolk, Virginia, and a copy of a letter sent to them today.

The gold mentioned is being forwarded to you under separate cover.

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint.

Enclosures.

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January 10, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

In accordance with the recommendation contained in your letter of January 8th, you are authorized to purchase, from Arthur H. Thomas Company, one 5-gallon water still with an automatic cut-off, at a total cost of $197.00; this being one of three equal bids received.

It is understood that determination of award was made by lot to the above Company.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Tayloe Ross

Director of the Mint.

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RG104 E-235 Vol 491

January 10, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

In accordance with the recommendation contained in your letter of January 8th, you are authorized to purchase, from Charles Pfizer & Company, Inc., approximately 1250 pounds cream of tartar, at the rate of 16$\frac{1}{8}$¢ per pound, less 1% 10th prox., this being one of two equal bids received.

It is understood that determination of the award was made by lot to the above Company.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Tayloe Ross

Director of the Mint.

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RG104 E-235 Vol 491

January 10, 1936.

The Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

In a letter from the Comptroller General of the United States in regard to the salaries of certain guards on the Civil Service and Emergency Rolls, it was brought to my attention that the rate of $1,620 per annum, to which the guards were promoted on November 16, 1935, was not the minimum salary rate of any grade in the Custodial Service, according to the Classification Act, as amended, or corresponding grade in Executive Order No. 6440 of November 18, 1933.

Therefore, it is my desire that all Civil Service and Emergency guards receiving $1,440 and $1,620 per annum be reallocated and appointed at the minimum salary rate of Custodial Grade 6 at $1,680 per annum. This will necessitate a letter of recommendation from you, listing the names involved, to be submitted to the Administrative Assistant to the Secretary for approval.

I will appreciate it if you will take action at once so that all promotions may be made effective January 16, 1936.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Taylor Ross

Director of the Mint.

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January 11, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

This letter will be authority for you to make the following purchases for use in building new and repairing old trucks:

From the Delaware Alloy Forge Company, 100 axles, at the rate of $2.65 each, less 1% ten days.

From the Philadelphia Steel & Iron Company, 50 yokes, at the rate of $4.45 each, less ½ of 1% ten days.

From Cann & Saul Steel Company, 50 handles, at the rate of $2.50 each, less 1% ten days.

It is understood that in each case the bid recommended above is the lowest of four received.

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January 11, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

In accordance with the recommendation contained in your letter of January 10th, you are authorized to purchase from W. H. Lear, 500 feet of oak lumber 4" thick, at the rate of $108.00 per 1000 feet; also 2500 feet of oak lumber 3" thick at the rate of $98.00 per 1000 feet, both less 2% ten days; this being the lowest of four bids received of five asked.

You are also authorized to purchase from The J. Gibson McIlvaine Company about 770 feet of long-leaf yellow pine, at the rate of $6.90 per 100 feet, and 5000 feet of 1" soft white pine, for coin shipping boxes, at the rate of $45.00 per thousand feet, both less 2% ten days; these two prices being the lowest of five received.

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint.

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RG104 E-235 Vol 491

January 14, 1936.

Miss Mary Missett,
THE PHILADELPHIA INQUIRER,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Madam:

Your letter of December 23rd, addressed to the United States Treasury, was referred to this Bureau for attention. The letter was forwarded to the United States Mint at Philadelphia for a report as to the details on the medal of the Great Seal, as issued by the Mint. The Engraver of the Mint at Philadelphia has sent the following information, which I hope will cover the scope of your inquiry.

"The medal issued by the Mint was first struck in commemoration of the one hundredth anniversary of the designation by law of the Great Seal, and this accounts for the two dates, 1782 and 1882, in the right and left fields of the reverse. The dies for this commemorative medal were engraved by Charles Barber, Mint Engraver at that time.

The differences between the medal and the seal as used on the new one dollar bills is due, I believe, entirely to the artist's own individual interpretation in each case. The two are the same in all the essentials, as embodied in the WRITTEN DESCRIPTION included in the Fundamental Law. The principal differences are the insertion of the two dates mentioned above and the ribband bearing motto at the base of the pyramid. It should be noted that there is no mention of this ribband in the original written description. This was, I believe, inserted by the artist engraving the original design in order to improve in his estimation the general composition and for added enrichment, a justifiable artistic license. This also explains the variations on the obverse of the seal.

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Seals are in the same class with coats-of-arms in heraldry, which may be rendered with considerable variation of style, to harmonize with the medium employed, and in the artist's own individual technique, so long as the essential motifs and legends are retained and these in their proper order."

Very truly yours,

Adam Fetter Rose

Director of the Mint.

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January 14, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

I am inclosing a request from the Office of the General Counsel, Legislative Section, Treasury Department, for a report on the case of Harry Thomas, former employee of your Mint. A bill has been introduced in the House of Representatives looking to the relief of Mr. Thomas.

Will you please forward to the Bureau a report on this case with such recommendations as you deem pertinent. Please return the inclosed papers with your report.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Tayloe Ross

Director of the Mint.

Inclosures.
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RG104 E-235 Vol 491

January 15, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

In accordance with the recommendation contained in your letter of January 14th, you are authorized to purchase, from the General Chemical Company, 20 carboys of sulphuric acid at a cost of $52.50, and 10 carboys of nitric acid at a cost of $148.50, both less 1% ten days; this being the lowest of three bids received.

It is understood that there is a bid of $5.00 apiece, net, on the carboys, which are returnable for full credit when empty.

Very truly yours,

M. M. O'Reilly

Director of the Mint.

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RG104 E-235 Vol 491

January 16, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Penna.

Dear Sir:

This Bureau is in receipt of notice of settlement by warrant #1979 P for the following :

Cushions, chair, leather,
stuffed with No. 1 curled
hair, gray drawing, approx.
2" thick, for saddle seat
office chair
6 @ $2.45 $14.70

The above amount is chargeable to the current Salaries and Expenses, Mints and Assay Offices, 1936, appropriation.

If this settlement liquidates encumbrances already set up, please report it as such as a separate item on your monthly appropriation transaction statement.

Very truly yours,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint

ACP/mm

January 17, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

This Bureau is in receipt of the following letter from the Executive Secretary of the National Academy of Sciences in Washington:

"I have again asked Mrs. Charles D. Walcott to have the dies for the Walcott Medal sent to the Philadelphia Mint, and she writes me that she has sent instructions to the Medallic Arts Company to forward the dies. I do not know what day they may be shipped. Sincerely yours, (Sgd) Paul Brockett, Executive Secretary."

Very truly yours,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

O'R/eh

RG104 E-235 Vol 491

January 16, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

The following pertaining to your November accounts is brought to attention for future guidance.

Voucher No. 3-11098 (Mint No. 519); certification on dealer's bill says domestic production while notation on proposal and on purchase order says imported - not made in U. S. Certification is inconsistent with prior stated facts.

Voucher No. 3-12543 (Mint No. 578); accompanying memorandum copy of voucher carries signatures of mint officers; see notation on voucher form that memorandum copies should remain unsigned.

Yours truly,

M M Reisly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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RG104 E-235 Vol 491

January 18, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Enclosed herewith are two Forms No. 244, "Notice of Retirement from Service", in the cases of Charles A. Carickhoff and Charles S. Kulp, whose retirements have been approved as at the close of business December 31, 1935.

Please have Mr. Carickhoff and Mr. Kulp sign the receipt attached to each of their letters and return same to this office.

Very truly yours,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

Enclosures (2)

MDM

January 18, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

In accordance with the recommendation contained in your letter of January 17th, you are authorized to purchase 1,000 pounds of woolen blanket pieces, for use in lining fire mitts which are used in handling hot metal ingots in your melting rooms, from Dreifus & Company, Inc., at the rate of 20¢ per pound, net.

It is understood that this was the only bid received of three asked.

Very truly yours,

W. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

C'R/eh

RG104 E-235 Vol 491

January 18, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

In accordance with the recommendation contained in your letter of January 17th, you are authorized to purchase 25,000 lead seals, with pin and cord, from H. G. Hanline Company, Inc., at the rate of $6.00 per thousand, less 2% ten days.

It is understood that the above bid was the lowest of three received.

Very truly yours,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

O'R/eh

RG104 E-235 Vol 491

January 18, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

The annual assay coins reserved at the several mints during the calendar year 1935, per the reports received from time to time by the Mint Bureau from said mints, were as follows:

Denomination	Philadelphia		San Francisco		Denver	
	Pieces	Value	Pieces	Value	Pieces	Value
S. S. dollars - -	790	$790.00	982	$982.00	- - -	- - - -
Half dollars -						
Regular - - - -	4,581	2,290.50	2,065	1,032.50	1,515	$757.50
Daniel Boone -	12	6.00	3	1.50	- - -	- - - -
Connecticut - -	14	7.00	- - -	- - - -	- - -	- - - -
Arkansas - - -	8	4.00	- - -	- - - -	- - -	- - - -
Hudson City - -	6	3.00	- - -	- - - -	- - -	- - - -
Oregon Trail -	6	3.00	- - -	- - - -	- - -	- - - -
Texas - - - - -	6	3.00	- - -	- - - -	- - -	- - - -
Quarter dollars -	16,242	4,060.50	2,830	707.50	2,890	722.50
Dimes - - - - - -	29,415	2,941.50	7,920	792.00	5,239	523.90
Total - - - -	51,080	10,108.50	13,800	3,515.50	9,644	2,003.90

The Daniel Boone halves reserved at the Philadelphia Mint were reported in the months of January, March and October.

Yours truly,

H. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

F-S

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January 20, 1936.

Superintendent, U. S. Mint, Phila., Pa.,
Superintendent, U. S. Mint, Denver, Colo.,
Superintendent, U. S. Assay Office, New York, N. Y.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter of January 9th, relative to holsters for the fifty 38-calibre revolvers recently shipped to your Mint. The General Supply Schedule carries holsters for 38-calibre 4" Colt revolver (black) #2-H-1140; price $1.39.

It is understood that the loop on these holsters is not long enough to adapt it to the Sam Brown belt. If you will address Joseph A. Lorch, 1010 Vermont Avenue, N. W., Washington, D. C., the contractor named in the General Schedule of Supplies, he will furnish for you holsters having a lengthened loop which can be used with the Sam Brown belt.

It is understood that this holster with the lengthened loop is to be supplied to you at the same price as that quoted in the General Schedule of Supplies.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Tayloe Ross

Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 491

January 21, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

It is necesary to replenish funds available to the Disbursing Officer in Washington for paying expenses of distributing new minor coin. Beginning in February, as profits on minor coinage accrue, please forward to the Mint Bureau the bullion fund checks representing such profits, to a total of $30,000, drawn in favor of G. F. Allen, Chief Disbursing Officer, Washington, D. C. No supporting documents need be drawn by you. The Bureau will forward the checks to the Disbursing Officer with advice for taking them into account as collections in his Special Deposit Account. On the bullion fund account current, in the B. F. Depositary Account, insert the disbursing officer's name against the item representing amount forwarded for charge in his special deposit account.

Yours truly,

Nellie Tayloe Ross

Director of the Mint.

F-S

RG104 E-235 Vol 491

January 21, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

This letter will confirm request made to you by telephone to forward to the Mint at San Francisco twenty pairs of one-cent dies, ten pairs of quarter dollar dies and twelve coin collars for half dollars.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Taylor Ross

Director of the Mint.

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RG104 E-235 Vol 491

January 22, 1936

I M M E D I A T E

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Revalue today January twenty-second without fail at usual rates three million six hundred thousand fine ounces purchase act silver bullion and five hundred thousand fine ounces newly mined domestic silver bullion with usual treatment in accounts and usual report procedure for like transactions.

NELLIE TAYLOE ROSS
Director.

RG104 E-235 Vol 491

January 22, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your telephone communication of yesterday, relative to purchasing a safe. This Bureau has been advised that the type of safe you desire is properly chargeable against our appropriation.

A new contract has been entered into by the Division of Supply for this item and the following gives you the details of the contract as it will appear in the General Supply Schedule when issued, and under which you may make this purchase:

Item #26-S-3830, Class C #9,
Cost $62.10 f.o.b Toledo, Ohio,
Contractor Globe Wernicke Co.,
Toledo, Ohio,
Weight approximately 750 lbs.,
Time of delivery 2 to 60 days,
T. P. S. #9930.

This does not include interior furnishings. In case such furnishings are wanted will you please tell the Bureau and we will advise the local contractor and obtain further instructions as to price.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Taylor Ross

Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 491

January 23, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

This letter will be authority for you to proceed with the preparation of the dies requested by the Chinese Ambassador. It is understood that these dies are to be used in the coinage of half dollars and twenty-five cent pieces.

The Chinese Embassy has furnished, through the State Department, corrected Chinese characters for the half dollar die and for the twenty-five cent die, respectively. These sketches are inclosed with this letter.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Tayloe Ross

Director of the Mint.

Inclosures.
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RG104 E-235 Vol 491

January 23, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

In accordance with the recommendation contained in your letter of January 22nd, you are authorized to purchase 10,000 feet of white pine lumber, 1" x 12", from the Lumber Service Company, at the rate of $45.00 per 1000 feet, net; this being the lowest of six bids received of seven asked.

It is understood that this lumber is practically all to be used in making boxes in which to ship coins being made for the Cuban Government.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Taylor Ross

Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 491

January 24, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

This letter will confirm communication of January 16th, relative to the designs for the Assay Commission medal.

The Engraver's suggestion is approved that we use the new Presidential design on the obverse and have the reverse the same as last year, which is the reverse of the medal of the Director of the Mint.

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 491

January 24, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

I am forwarding, under separate cover, a letter received from the Secretary of the Navy relative to the preparation of certain medals in silver and bronze for the Naval Reserve Officers' Training Corps. Will you please forward to the Bureau at your earliest convenience an estimate for the cost of preparing these medals.

Inclosed with the letter is a rough sketch of the design suggested by the Navy Department.

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 491

January 24, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

In accordance with the recommendation contained in your letter of January 23rd, you are authorized to purchase 10,000 yards of 54" wide muslin (sheeting), from Miller, Bain, Beyer & Company, at the rate of $0.1445 per yard; this being the lowest of three bids received of five asked.

It is understood that a release for the purchase of this material has been received from the Department of Justice.

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 491

January 24, 1936.

Superintendent,
U. S. Assay Office,
New York, N. Y.

Dear Sir:

Form 61-A for the six months ended December 31, 1935, correctly allocates domestic gold coin, amounting to $188,368.32, as Redeposits, purchases, but this coin was omitted from the detailed classification on form 474-A.

If it is impossible to classify this coin by denominations can you furnish this office the approximate proportion that are double eagles, eagles, etc., also face value of each denomination.

In this connection reference is made to our letter of August 24, 1935, requesting that receipts of United States gold coin imported be classified to the extent possible without making a detailed examination thereof.

Yours truly,

Director of the Mint.

F-B

RG104 E-235 Vol 491

January 24, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

The following is in reply to your letter of January 21st concerning contract No. T2m-291 for supplying your institution with coal during the current fiscal year:

Since there is no information available to this office that would warrant authorizing payment, because of an agreement between the mine operators and unions, or otherwise, for the coal supplied by the contractor at a price in excess of that specified in the contract, it is suggested that you continue to pay the contract price and that after completion of the contract the contractor submit his claim for the total amount of any difference to which he considers himself entitled, citing any provisions in the contract or elsewhere that support his claim.

Yours truly,

Nellie Taylor Ross

Director of the Mint.

E.S

RG104 E-235 Vol 491

January 25, 1936.

Superintendent, U. S. Mint, Phila., Pa.,
Superintendent, U. S. Mint, Denver, Colo.,
Superintendent, U. S. Mint, San Francisco, Calif.,
Superintendent, U. S. Assay Office, New York, N. Y.,
Assayer in Charge, U. S. Mint, New Orleans, La.,
Assayer in Charge, U. S. Assay Office, Seattle, Wash.

Dear Sir:

In acknowledging receipt of deposits received by you and forwarded to another mint or assay office for acceptance, you are directed to make no report to the depositor of the weight or value of his material; that is the responsibility of the institutions designated to handle them.

Your letter to the depositor should advise that the deposit has been received and forwarded to the mint or assay office in his district. It is understood, however, that you will keep in your files a record of the weights for reference should any question arise concerning them.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Tayloe Ross

Director of the Mint.

January 25, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your form 474-A for the six months ended December 31, 1935.

The uncurrent gold coin column adds $69,741,681.50 instead of $63,741,681.50. Will you please furnish the Bureau the correct figures for this column; possibly the eagles should be 10 million plus instead of 16 million plus.

Yours truly,

Nellie Taylor Ross

Director of the Mint.

H-F-S

January 27, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

Under date of December 26, 1935, you sent this office an "Oath of Office" Form for Kathleen S. Harrity, Sewing Woman at $4.00 per diem, showing the date of her oath as December 14, 1935, and the date of entrance on duty as December 16, 1935. In your letter of December 27, 1935, you recommended that Miss Harrity be dropped from the roll at the close of business December 15, 1935. There appears to be some mistake, as Miss Harrity could not be dropped from the service before she entered on duty. Will you please look into this matter, and take the necessary steps to straighten it out.

Also will you please advise whether the guard appointed on January 6, 1936, spells his name Albert "Hanafy" or "Hanofy". He was recommended under the name of Albert "Hanofy", but the oath is made out in the name of Albert "Hanafy".

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint.

MDM

RG104 E-235 Vol 491

January 27, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

Please forward to the Mint at Denver as soon as convenient fifteen pairs of quarter dollar dies.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Tayloe Ross

Director of the Mint.

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RG104 E-235 Vol 491

January 28, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

Have you a record of the number of Norse-American medals which were struck in each variety -- the light-weight and the heavy. If so, will you please advise the Bureau.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Taylor Ross

Director of the Mint.

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January 28, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

I am inclosing a copy of the revised Table of Charges. Will you please review this Table of Charges and communicate with the Bureau promptly as to whether or not changes should be made before this document is forwarded to the Printing Office.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Tayloe Ross

Director of the Mint.

Inclosure.

RG104 E-235 Vol 491

January 29, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

I have given careful consideration to all the points raised by you in connection with the promotions for the guards and I still desire that you send through these recommendations.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Taylor Ross

Director of the Mint.

MDM

January 30, 1936.

Government Facilities

Superintendent, U S Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.

Retel twenty ninth letter recommending five emergency painters approved January twenty eighth.

Acting Director of the Mint.

O'R/eh

January 30, 1936,

Government Facilities

Superintendent, US Assay Office, 32 Old Slip, New York, N. Y.,
Superintendent, US Mint, Denver, Colo.,
Superintendent, US Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.

Silver bars received by you from Banco de Mexico should be newly mined silver STOP Request that you follow instructions of the Federal Reserve of New York in order to determine if bars received by you are in accordance with contract.

C'Reilly, Acting Director Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 491

January 30, 1936.

Superintendent,
U. S. Assay Office,
New York, N. Y.

Dear Sir:

In reply to your letter of January 9th concerning disposition of Disbursing Officer's checks no longer needed by you by reason of the duties covering disbursements now being performed by the Chief Disbursing Officer of the Department, it is requested that the unused checks be forwarded to the Division of Printing, Treasury Department, Washington, D. C., with the information that the disbursing functions in question are now being performed by the Chief Disbursing Officer.

Yours truly,

M. M. Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

F-S

RG104 E-235 Vol 491

January 30, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Assay Office,
New York City, N. Y.

Dear Sir:

Enclosed please find voucher which we are returning for your signature, as to whether the "Pick-up at Destination" was or was not by the Government.

Please sign on the Government Bill of Lading and return to us at your earliest possible convenience.

Very truly yours,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint

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RG104 E-235 Vol 491

January 31, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

In accordance with the recommendation contained in your letter of January 30th, you are authorized to purchase 500 No. 5 graphite dipping cups with strainers, from the Ross-Tacony Crucible Company, at the rate of 75¢ each less 1% for payment in 10 days.

It is understood that four bids were received, all being identical, and that award was made by drawing lots.

Very truly yours,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

O'R/eh

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January 31, 1936.

Superintendent, United States Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.
" " " " San Francisco, Calif.
" " " " Denver, Colo.
" U. S. Assay Office, New York, N. Y.
Assayer in Charge, U. S. Assay Office, Seattle, Wash.
" " " United States Mint, New Orleans, La.

Gentlemen:

Herewith please find additional list of certain corporations, dated January 29, 1936, received from the Assistant General Counsel of the Bureau of Internal Revenue. Please forward to this Bureau your answer stating whether or not your institution has any claims against any of the listed concerns.

Yours truly,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

F-S
Encl.

RG104 E-235 Vol 491

February 4, 1936.

Mr. Edwin H. Dressel,
Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Mr. Dressel:

It is with pleasure I enclose formal notification of the increase in your salary which I told you verbally I was securing for you.

In having sought this increase, I have borne in mind the heavy responsibilities which your position entails, and the necessity of your giving your full time and concentrated effort to the work of supervising the numerous activities of the Mint.

Yours sincerely,

Director of the Mint.

Enclosure

R:W:M

RG104 E-235 Vol 491

February 4, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

In accordance with the recommendation contained in your letter of February 3rd, you are authorized to purchase 600 pounds of asbestos cloth, 40" wide and weighing 2¼ pounds to the square yard, from the Johns Manville Sales Corporation, at the rate of $0.256 per pound.

It is understood that the above bid was the lower of two received of three asked.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Taylor Ross

Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 491

February 4, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

The Procurement Division advises the Bureau that wome weeks ago they shipped to your institution, by mistake, instead of to the San Francisco Mint six automatic numbering machines - 5 wheel 3 movement. They also state that they requested the return of the machines but have not received them.

It is requested that if you have use for the machines and wish to retain them that you advise the Bureau to that effect.

Yours truly,

Nellie Taylor Ross

Director of the Mint.

F-S

D'R/eh

February 4, 1936.

Government Facilities

Superintendent, US Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.

Please forward fifteen pairs dime dies to Denver as soon as convenient.

Nellie Tayloe Ross,
Director of the Mint.

NTR

RG104 E-235 Vol 491

February 5, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

With reference to your letter of February 3rd concerning the shipment of coin bags for Procurement Division of the Department it is requested that you amend the retained copies of the used bills of lading as regards billing directions and appropriation chargeable, and forward the usual copies to the Bureau. When the carrier's bills reach the Bureau we will then be in position to amend the original bills of lading and forward the vouchers for consideration of the Procurement Division.

Yours truly,

Nellie Taylor Ross

F-S

Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 491

February 6, 1936.

I M M E D I A T E

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Revalue today February sixth without fail at usual rates six hundred thousand fine ounces newly mined domestic silver bullion with usual treatment in accounts and usual report procedure for like transactions.

Nellie Tayloe Ross,
Director Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 491

February 7, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter of February 3rd, relative to renewal bonds for forty-five employees of your Mint.

Your letter has been referred to the Bonds Section of the Treasury and the Bureau has been advised that no extra expense will be incurred by having the employees execute new bonds as the amount of premium they have already paid on their old bonds will be allowed by the company when premium is being paid for the new bonds.

This Bureau has been advised that it would not be expedient to undertake to change the dates of the bonds to December 1935.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Taylor Ross

Director of the Mint.

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RG104 E-235 Vol 491

February 7, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter of February 4th, inclosing a letter from Mr. William L. Grayson, President, Society of the Sons of the Revolution in the State of Georgia.

I am inclosing a copy of a letter addressed today by this Bureau to Mr. Grayson, which is self-explanatory. You will notice that the Bureau has advised Mr. Grayson that the medals could be made at the Mint but not the dies and that you will advise him of the cost.

The medal inclosed with your letter of February 4th is returned.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Tayloe Ross

Director of the Mint.

Inclosure.
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RG104 E-235 Vol 491

February 10, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is acknowledged of four ounces of standard gold samples forwarded for assay with your letter of February 6th and identified as representing melts Nos. 722-731.

In forwarding all such fine gold samples, please include a transcript of the assayer's reported fineness. The transcript covering the above samples has not yet been received by the Bureau.

Very truly yours,

Miller Taylor Ross

Director of the Mint.

c/sh

RG104 E-235 Vol 491

February 10, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

This letter will confirm telephone communication of this day, relative to the preparation of dies for Philippine coinage.

I am inclosing copy of a letter received from the Acting Chief of the Bureau of Insular Affairs, together with a copy of a translation of a radiogram sent to Manila on January 31st and the reply received. These are self-explanatory.

It is understood that you are to proceed with the preparation of dies for the smaller denominations and I repeat the request made over the telephone that impressions of these dies be forwarded here for approval before the dies are used.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Taylor Ross

Director of the Mint.

Inclosures.
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RG104 E-235 Vol 491

February 11, 1936.

I M M E D I A T E

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Revalue today February eleventh without fail at usual rates two million nine hundred thousand fine ounces purchase act silver bullion and five hundred thousand fine ounces newly mined domestic silver bullion with usual treatment in accounts and usual report procedure for like transactions.

Nellie Tayloe Ross,
Director Mint

RG104 E-235 Vol 491

February 11, 1936.

Memorandum pertaining to December, 1935, account current of the Philadelphia Regional Office of G. F. Allen, Chief Disbursing Officer, Symbol 891-807.

The following collections by the Philadelphia Mint were deposited in the Federal Reserve Bank of Philadelphia in the name of G. F. Allen for immediate credit, as per certificates of deposit dated December 31, 1935, but were not shown on the December account current of the Philadelphia regional disbursing office and therefore constitute so much cash for which no accounting is made to the General Accounting Office as at the end of December.

Certificate of deposit No. 3-M-217, seigniorage on minor coinage, symbol No. 6344 - - - - - - - - - - $[illegible]

Certificate of Deposit No. 3-M-218, charges on Cuban coinage, symbol No. 26510 - - - - - - - - - 5,687.50

Nellie Taylor Ross

Director of the Mint.

F-S

RG104 E-235 Vol 491

February 11, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

December voucher No. 3-15053 (669) in favor of Mory-Buckwalter carries an item of one dozen couplings, 29¢, which is unsupported by the dealer's quotation (presumably of November 11th); quotation on the other items (of November 13th) is present.

Please forward for attaching to voucher 3-17252 (729) explanation of the differences in quotations received on the tanks, and the reduced prices at which ordered and received.

Yours truly,

Nellie Taylor Ross

Director of the Mint.

F-S

RG104 E-235 Vol 491

February 12, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of February 10, 1936, enclosing the resignation of John A. Nocton, temporary Roller at $5.00 per diem on the regular roll, effective at the close of business February 8, 1936.

In this connection, it will be necessary for Mr. Nocton to state the reason for his separation from the service. Mr. Nocton's resignation is being held in this office pending receipt of this information.

Very truly yours,

M. M. Reely

Acting Director of the Mint.

MDM

O'R/sh

February 12, 1936.

Government Facilities

Superintendent, US Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.

Please forward to San Francisco ten obverse nickel and ten obverse one cent dies.

O'Reilly, Acting Director Mint.

O'R/sh

February 12, 1936.

Government Facilities

Superintendent, US Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.

Please forward to Denver ten pairs one cent dies.

O'Reilly, Acting Director Mint.

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February 13, 1936.

Superintendent, United States Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.
" " " " San Francisco, Calif.
" " " " Denver, Colo.
" U. S. Assay Office, New York, N. Y.

Gentlemen:

Reference is made to the bullion account current form and to the account carried thereon "Coin for Recoinage." Beginning with the month of February, 1936, and thereafter, every entry of coin received and reported under this heading should be supported by a copy of the "Transfer Order" on Treasury Form 12. This voucher will accompany the account current for use by the General Accounting Office.

Yours truly,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

F-S

RG104 E-235 Vol 491

February 15, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Penna.

Dear Sir:

There is being forwarded to you today, by insured registered mail, two fine silver bars weighing 50.10 and 44.25 ounces respectively, and 10.80 ounces of fine gold scrap.

Please furnish the Bureau with the gold equivalent in proof gold, and forward 300 mg. inquartation discs in exchange for the silver.

Very truly yours,

A. M. Acker

Acting Director of the Mint.

Q.

RG104 E-235 Vol 491

February 13, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

Please furnish the following items for use in the Laboratory of the Bureau.

12 - smooth faced copper slabs approximately 2 - 3 ft. long, 5 inches wide & 1/8 in. thick.

12 - copper covered boards with 16 indentations, for handling buttons in the laboratory before parting. (reference Mr. Zeigler).

Your courtesy in expediting the above will be appreciated.

Very truly yours,

N. N. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

Q.

RG104 E-235 Vol 491

February 12, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

In accordance with the recommendation contained in your letter of February 11th, you are authorized to accept the proposal of the Midvale Company to supply your Mint with 2,000 pounds of tool steel for the manufacture of coinage dies, at the rate of $0.1969 per pound less $\frac{1}{8}$ of 1% ten days, plus 50¢ for trucking.

It is understood that three other firms submitted quotations identical to that of the Midvale Company. However, the Midvale Company has the steel in stock and can make delivery at once and as you need at least a portion by the 20th of this month, a clause was inserted in the specifications that "time of delivery will be a determining factor in award of contract". It is understood that your selection was further based on the fact that you have, by long usage, learned just how to use the Midvale steel in making dies which would give greater production.

Very truly yours,

W. M. O'Reilly

Director of the Mint.

O'R/eh

RG104 E-235 Vol 491

February 14, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

With reference to your letter of February 13th, in reply to a request of the General Accounting Office concerning check No. 81398 of November 25, 1933, pertaining to the account of Mr. Styer, please be advised that the Treasurer's office indicated, by telephone to this office, that they will send you a copy of the Depositary Account statement of Mr. Styer, under symbol 15088.

Yours truly,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

F-S

February 18, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

The Daniel Boone Bicentennial Commission has written to say that they desire 10,000 Daniel Boone commemorative coins bearing the date "1936" struck at your Mint. They also desire that dies amended to bear the date "1936" be sent to the Denver and San Francisco Mints. The Commission asks that 5,000 pieces be struck at each of these institutions.

Please forward sufficient dies to cover this order.

Very truly yours,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

O'R/eh

RG104 E-235 Vol 491

February 18, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

The annual interrogatory of the Royal British Mint contains the following question, to which it is requested you supply a reply:

> Were any medals struck at the mint or mints during 1935? If so, give particulars as to numbers, metals, etc.

Yours truly,

W. M. O'Reilly

Director of the Mint.

F-S

RG104 E-235 Vol 491

February 19, 1936

I M M E D I A T E

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Revalue today February nineteenth without fail at usual rates four million seven hundred thousand fine ounces purchase act silver bullion and eight hundred thousand fine ounces newly mined domestic silver bullion with usual treatment in accounts and usual report procedure for like transactions.

M. M. O'Reilly,
Acting Director Mint

RG104 E-235 Vol 491

February 20, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is acknowledged of 93.682 ounces of silver discs and 10.56 ounces of proof gold, forwarded with your letter of February 18th.

Very truly yours,

M M O'Reilly

Director of the Mint.

Q/eh

RG104 E-235 Vol 491

February 20, 1936.

Superintendent, United States Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.
" " " " San Francisco, Calif.
" " " " Denver, Colo.
" U. S. Assay Office, New York, N. Y.
Assayer in Charge, U. S. Assay Office, Seattle, Wash.

Gentlemen:

For some time the Bureau has been receiving weekly statistical reports covering your receipts of gold and silver, the segregation on gold receipts being between new mined domestic, imports, secondary material, and coins.

Inquiry has now been received relative to the posibilities of an additional, permanent arrangement for reporting all gold receipts and issues, by value (only) at $35.00 per fine ounce, in monthly totals of classes, as follows:

Gold receipts: Domestic, Imports, Secondary, Domestic coin, Foreign coin, Other (specify).

Gold issues: For export, for Industrial or non-monetary use, Other (specify).

Omit transfers either to or from other mints and assay offices.

Segregation of receipts on this basis has been made for a long series of years with the exception of the two items of domestic refinery bullion, which items include all or nearly all of the classes just mentioned. In other words, the bars you receive from private refiners have been produced from a varied class of materials received by them. In the weekly reports you have been making, what classification has been assigned to the domestic refinery bullion; if segregated, what has been the basis of the segregation? If not segregated in the weekly reports, do you know of any basis on which segregation - say between new domestic, secondary domestic, and imports or foreign - could be made, and if so, with what degree of accuracy? Also, would such segregation involve material additional effort?

Please advise as to the probable length of time, after the close of each month, that would be required before report could be made of the prior month's data.

Yours truly,

Director of the Mint.

F-S

RG104 E-235 Vol 491

February 21, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

I have your letter of February 20th, submitting a list of work now in process as well as proposed work in the Mechanical Department of your Mint. I shall be glad to place this list on file for reference.

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint.

February 24, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

Herewith, for your files, please find duplicate copies of vouchers numbered 405 and 406 pertaining to fiscal year 1934, and voucher numbered 72 pertaining to the fiscal year 1935, covering travel expenses of L. E. Brown, J. F. T. O'Connor, and Joseph W. Steel. These vouchers were forwarded to the Bureau with your letters of May 18, 21 and 22, 1935. It is understood that the General Accounting Office has removed the exceptions relative to these vouchers.

Yours truly,

Nellie Tayloe Ross

Director of the Mint.

F-S
Encl.

February 25, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

In accordance with the recommendation contained in your letter of February 21st, you are authorized to purchase 5 barrels (approximately 1250 pounds) of cream of tartar, from Charles Pfizer & Company, Inc., at the rate of 16½¢ per pound less 1% 10th proximo.

It is understood that three firms were asked for quotations and in view of the fact that the first two were alike, slips were prepared and one drawn, the lot falling to the Charles Pfizer Company.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Taylor Ross

Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 491

February 26, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

Herewith, for amendment, please find papers constituting contract No. T2m-301 for an electric truck. It is requested that justification for the award that was made be indicated on the Statement and Certificate of Award; also that explanation be made of the time element with respect to the Yale & Towne Manufacturing Company's quotation which, on the proposal, refers to letter of November 22nd while the letter accompanying the contract is dated November 23rd (date of scheduled opening of bids), and the letter of November 23rd carries a statement that the opening was verbally postponed till November 25th. These matters should be cleared on the statement and certificate of award for the information of the General Accounting Office.

Yours truly,

Nellie Taylor Ross

Director of the Mint.

F.S
Encls.

February 27, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

An effort is being made to clear the service records of two men by the name of John J. Nolan and one by the name of John Nolan who were employed in the Philadelphia Mint as temporary Helpers at about the same time during the years 1916 through 1920.

It appears that the service of the two by the name of John J. Nolan might have been concurrent as oath papers and personal history statements show the same handwriting. The appointment of one was effective October 6, 1917 and the other October 24, 1916. The service of John Nolan seems to be mixed in with that of the others but the handwriting on his papers is slightly different.

I will appreciate it very much if you will search your files and furnish me with any information you have that would help to straighten out these records.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Tayloe Ross

Director of the Mint.

MDM

February 26, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

Confirming telephone communication of today, you are authorized to accept the proposal of the Kennecott Sales Corporation to supply your Mint with 30,000 lbs. of copper in cathode plates, to be used for alloy purposes, at the rate of $0.0925 per pound.

It is understood that this was one of two equal bids received and that the award was made by drawing lots.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Tayloe Ross

Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 491

February 28, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

In accordance with the recommendation contained in your letter of February 26th, you are authorized to purchase 1500 yards of #8 cotton Canvas, 36" wide, from R. A. Humphrys' Sons, Inc., at the rate of 32½¢ per yard; this being the lowest of three bids received of four asked.

It is understood that the Department of Justice has granted a release for the purchase of this material in the commercial market.

Very truly yours,

Ellen Taylor Roos

Director of the Mint.

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February 27, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

This letter will confirm telephone communication of today, requesting you to send to the Mint at San Francisco twelve large size nickel collars and ten pairs quarter dollar dies.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Tayloe Ross

Director of the Mint.

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February 28, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

Will you please forward to the Bureau, at the earliest practicable date, a description, in triplicate, of your bookkeeping procedure and methods by which it has been found practical to carry into the regular bookkeeping records all transactions as they occur, day by day, and to prepare therefrom the daily reports to the Treasurer of the United States, instead of keeping a separate record for daily reports to the Treasurer as formerly. Please indicate the characteristics and type of machine used for making the bullion abstract, the daily totals of which, in both ounces and value, are taken into the regular bookkeeping records. With regard to new coin executed, state procedure by which immediate determination is made of cost of the metal in the coin and by which the resulting seigniorage is deposited with the Chief Disbursing Officer at the time each delivery of coin is made from the Coining Department to the Cashier. Please give illustrative entries on the bookkeeping forms, together with any description necessary for understanding same.

This information is desired for contemplated use in assisting the San Francisco and Denver mints to amend their procedure and bookkeeping methods to meet the need for more prompt and up-to-date information than is available with the old methods now being used by them.

Yours truly,

Nellie Taylor Ross

Director of the Mint.

F-S

RG104 E-235 Vol 491

February 28, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

Under date of December 9, 1935, you recommended that Elizabeth C. Costello, Sewing Woman at $4.96 per diem, on the emergency roll of your office be decreased to $4.00 per diem. On December 12, 1935, you recommended that she be transferred to the regular roll as a temporary Sewing Woman at $4.00 per diem. This appointment became effective December 16, 1935, date of oath. If Miss Costello did not take an oath for her demotion, it will be necessary for you to recommend that your letter of December 9, 1935, be cancelled.

In answer to your inquiry concerning an extension of service for a person who has reached retirement age, I wish to state that Section 204 of the Economy Act of June 30, 1932, provides that after July 1, 1932, no employee may be continued in the service beyond the retirement age fixed for his position except by order of the President.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Taylor Ross

Director of the Mint.

MDM

RG104 E-235 Vol 491

February 29, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

Please forward to the Mint at San Francisco as soon as possible fifty ounces of proof gold.

Very truly yours,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

O'R/eh

RG104 E-235 Vol 491

March 3, 1936.

Hon. Nellie Tayloe Ross,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Mrs. Ross:

I am sending a copy of a telegram received today from Denver, together with a copy of a telegram sent to Denver early this morning.

Until we hear from San Francisco as to their reductions we cannot make final allotment of funds. However, Denver will hold its present force until we are able to reallocate the balance of our appropriations. It would appear that we could refrain from making the drastic reductions first considered for Denver.

Very sincerely,

M M O'Reilly

Inclosures.
O'R/eh

RG104 E-235 Vol 491

March 4, 1936.

IMMEDIATE

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Revalue today March fourth without fail at usual rates one million four hundred thousand fine ounces purchase set silver bullion and six hundred thousand fine ounces newly mined domestic silver bullion with usual treatment in accounts and usual report procedure for like transactions.

M. M. O'Reilly,
Acting Director Mint.

March 4, 1936.

Superintendent, United States Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.
" " " " San Francisco, Calif.
" " " " Denver, Colo.
" U. S. Assay Office, New York, N. Y.
Assayer in Charge, U. S. Assay Office, Seattle, Wash.
" " " United States Mint, New Orleans, La.

Gentlemen:

Herewith please find additional list of certain corporations, dated March 3, 1936, received from the Assistant General Counsel of the Bureau of Internal Revenue. Please forward to this Bureau your answer stating whether or not your institution has any claims against any of the listed concerns.

Yours truly,

Acting Director of the Mint.

F-S
Encl.

RG104 E-235 Vol 491

March 4, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

I am inclosing a copy of a communication received through the State Department from the Chinese Ambassador, relative to the preparation of twenty-fifth year dollar and half dollar master dies.

There is attached to this memorandum a Chinese character for "5" for your information and guidance.

Very truly yours,

Acting Director of the Mint.

Inclosures.
O'R/eh

RG104 E-235 Vol 491

March 5, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

I am inclosing one dollar for which please send to the Bureau one medal of President Roosevelt.

Very truly yours,

M. W. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

Inclosure.
O'R/eh

RG104 E-235 Vol 491

March 5, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

Please advise the Bureau of the number of dies made for the quarter dollar in 1932, 1934 and 1935, and the number sent to each Mint.

Very truly yours,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

O'R/eh

March 6, 1956.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

In accordance with the recommendation contained in your letter of March 5th, you are authorized to purchase 50 dozen pairs of buckskin mittens from M. Segal & Sons, at the rate of $9.00 per dozen pairs, net, this being the lowest of three bids received.

It is understood that these mittens are used by your men in handling precious metals and when they become too much worn for further use, are burned to recover whatever precious metals have adhered to them.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Taylor Ross

Director of the Mint.

March 7, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

In reply to your letter of March 5th there is enclosed herewith a copy of the Bureau's letter of January 24, 1936, relative to the claim of Mr. W. M. Hollenback for payment at a rate in excess of the contract rate, for coal being supplied you.

Yours truly,

Nellie Taylor Ross

Director of the Mint.

F-S
Encl.

RG104 E-235 Vol 491

March 7, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

Will you please forward to the Bureau for the use of the Department, a picture of the coining press with an operator feeding the press.

The picture is to be framed and used for display with other activities of the Treasury Department.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Taylor Ross

Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 491

March 9, 1936.

Government Facilities

Superintendent, US Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.

Letter recommending transfer of Robert C. Robbins from regular roll to emergency roll effective March sixteen will be approved today.

M. M. O'Reilly,
Acting Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 491

March 10, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

I am transmitting herewith a letter received from the Minister of Uruguay, asking for a quotation covering the cost of certain coinage.

With the return of ALL of the inclosed correspondence will you please advise the Bureau of the rates which should be charged for this coinage.

It is important that all of the inclosed correspondence be returned to the Bureau with your reply as soon as possible.

Very truly yours,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

Inclosures.
O'R/sh

March 11, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter of March 10th, relative to the withdrawal of gold and silver from Vault B for shipment to New York.

I hereby authorize Mr. Clarence R. Shook, in conjunction with Mr. Willard S. Boyce, to remove the present seal, make withdrawals of bullion required to be transferred, to deduct the amount of such bullion so withdrawn from the total amount of such bullion as shown by the seal, and to place new seals on such vault showing content remaining therein after each withdrawal.

In order to obviate the necessity of weighing the bullion remaining in Vault B after such withdrawals, the amount of bullion as shown by the seals shall be accepted as the gold and silver content of such vault by the Settlement Committee, it being understood that such seals and wrappings upon examination are found to be intact.

Very truly yours,

N. M. Riley

Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 491

March 11, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

Will you please forward to Mr. Burrier, Department of the Interior, Washington, D. C., one Presidential medal, together with voucher for same. Mr. Burrier has been informed that the medal is $1.00.

The medal is to be used for the cornerstone laying of the new Interior building and this Bureau will appreciate your courtesy in forwarding it.

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint.

March 11, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter of March 10th, relative to the withdrawal of gold and silver from Vault B for shipment to New York.

I hereby authorize Mr. Clarence R. Shook, in conjunction with Mr. Willard S. Boyce, to remove the present seal, make withdrawals of bullion required to be transferred, to deduct the amount of such bullion so withdrawn from the total amount of such bullion as shown by the seal, and to place new seals on such vault showing content remaining therein after each withdrawal.

In order to obviate the necessity of weighing the bullion remaining in Vault B after such withdrawals, the amount of bullion as shown by the seals shall be accepted as the gold and silver content of such vault by the Settlement Committee, it being understood that such seals and wrappings upon examination are found to be intact.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Tayloe Ross

Director of the Mint.

March 12, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

In checking over your appointment papers, I fail to find any indication that you have filed an affidavit with the Comptroller General of the United States as required by the Act of December 11, 1926, 44 Stat. 918. If you do not file this affidavit, the General Accounting Office will disallow salary payments to you. For your information, the above Act reads as follows:

"Sec. 1. That each individual hereafter appointed as an officer of the United States by the President, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, or by the President alone, or by a court of law, or by the head of a department, shall, within thirty days after the effective date of his appointment, file with the Comptroller General of the United States an affidavit stating that neither he nor anyone acting in his behalf has given, transferred, promised, or paid any consideration for or in the expectation or hope of receiving assistance in securing such appointment.

"Sec. 2. No salary shall be paid to any individual required under section 1 to file an affidavit until such affidavit has been filed."

I am enclosing a blank Form No. 1041, the affidavit referred to, which you may fill out and return to this office for transmittal to the General Accounting Office. If you have already executed this form and forwarded it yourself to the Accounting Office, please advise me so that I may make the proper notation in your file.

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint.

Enclosure.
MDM

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MDM

March 15, 1936.

Government Facilities

Superintendent, US Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.

Recommendation transfer Daniel T. Barnett temporary Roller at five dollars per diem from regular to emergency roll effective March fourteenth will be approved today.

Nellie Taylor Ross

Nellie Taylor Ross,
Director of the Mint.

March 13, 1936.

Superintendent, United States Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.
" " " " San Francisco, Calif.
Assayer in Charge, U. S. Assay Office, Seattle, Wash.
" " " United States Mint, New Orleans, La.
" " " " Denver, Colo.

Gentlemen:

Any unused checks you may have on hand pertaining to the duties that have been assumed by the Chief Disbursing Officer of the Department, should be forwarded to the Division of Printing, Treasury Department, Washington, D. C., with the information that the disbursing functions to which the unused checks pertain are now being performed by the Chief Disbursing Officer and that you have no further use for same.

Yours truly,

Y-S

Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 491

March 13, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

The following pertains to your January accounts.

Voucher No. 3-1797 (Mint No. 834). Notation on purchase order refers to quotation of November 21st, of Cusack Hardware Co., which is not attached to voucher; please forward same. Quotation of November 30th, also applicable, is present.

Charles P. Burns, regular payroll last half of December, page 10, line 20, was paid $2.25 for a half day overtime; at $5.50 per diem 1/2 day computes $2.75.

Elizabeth Costello, supplemental payroll for last half of December, is paid $5.50 for one and five sixteenths days overtime, which at $4.00 per diem, computes $5.25.

In the Silver Coinage Bullion account the mutilated coin received as bullion was stated as recoveries incident thereto, and the silver used in domestic coin was stated as used in foreign coin; these have been corrected in this office.

Yours truly,

Director of the Mint.

P-T-S

RG104 E-235 Vol 491

March 17, 1936.

IMMEDIATE

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Revalue today March seventeenth without fail at usual rates one million three hundred thousand fine ounces purchase act silver bullion and nine hundred thousand fine ounces newly mined domestic silver bullion with usual treatment in accounts and usual report procedure for like transactions.

Nellie Tayloe Ross, N.T.R.
Director Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 491

March 18, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

Please send to the Bureau four copies of the President's medal, payment for which I am inclosing.

Very truly yours,

M. M. O'Reilly

Director of the Mint.

Inclosure.
($4.00)
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RG104 E-235 Vol 491

March 19, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

Confirming telephone communication of this morning, please forward to the Mint at San Francisco twenty pairs one-cent dies and ten pairs of nickel dies.

Very truly yours,

N. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 491

March 20, 1936.

Superintendent, U. S. Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.,
Superintendent, U. S. Mint, Denver, Colo.,
Superintendent, U. S. Mint, San Francisco, Calif.,
Superintendent, U. S. Assay Office, New York, N. Y.,
Assayer in Charge, U. S. Mint, New Orleans, La.,
Assayer in Charge, U. S. Assay Office, Seattle, Wash.

Dear Sir:

I am inclosing a circular letter relative to Federal archives. This letter is self-explanatory.

When the representative of the Federal Archivist calls at your institution, please place at his disposal every facility for reviewing your files.

Very truly yours,

M. M. O'Reilly

Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 491

March 24, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

This Bureau is in receipt of notice of settlement by warrant No. 2857 P for the following:

Item #8, Guns, sub-Machine, Thompson	$826.20
Item #9, Magazines, 20 Cart.	55.00
Item #10, Magazines, 50 Cart.	77.12
Item #11, Spare part kit	50.49
Item #2, ammunition, .38 calibre	27.62
	$1,036.43

The above amount is chargeable to the current Salaries and Expenses, Mints and Assay Offices, 1936, appropriation.

If this settlement liquidates encumbrances already set up, please report it as such as a separate item on your monthly appropriation transaction statement.

Very truly yours,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

P:d

RG104 E-235 Vol 491

March 24, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of March 23, 1936, requesting information concerning the application of the new leave bill in regard to the case of Charles E. Hunt, one of your employees.

I can see no reason why Mr. Hunt should not be restored the eleven extra days allowed by the Act of March 14, 1936, inasmuch as it is retroactive to January 1, 1936. Mr. Hunt has been in the service for a great many years and certainly would be entitled to all leave due him for this year.

If you would care to delay this restoration to Mr. Hunt for several weeks, the Civil Service Commission has called a meeting of the Heads of the various Government Departments on Thursday of this week to formulate uniform regulations pertinent to this Act and some rule may be made to govern a case of this sort.

Very truly yours,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

MDM

March 24, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

This letter will confirm telephone communication requesting you to prepare dies for the 1936 Oregon Trail memorial half dollars, bearing the date "1936", to be sent to the Mint at San Francisco.

It is requested that a sufficient number of dies be sent to produce 5,000 of these coins.

Very truly yours,

Acting Director of the Mint.

O'R/ch

Usual charge should be collected for preparing the "1936" dies
M.O'R

RG104 E-235 Vol 491

March 24, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

In accordance with the recommendation contained in your letter of March 21st, this letter will be authority for you to accept the proposal of the Detroit Electric Furnace Company to supply your Mint with two electric furnaces at $7,615 each.

It is understood that two bids were received but that the Detroit Electric Furnace Company was the only one which would provide complete installation and whose bid was in accordance with the specifications without reservation for these furnaces.

Very truly yours,

N. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

O'R/ah

March 26, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Herewith please find a Certificate in Lieu of Bill of Lading which accompanied to this office bill of the Railway Express Agency, Inc., No. G/2/7353.

The certificate is inadequate in that there is no indication of the character of the contents of the carton stated to have been received by you, so that there is no means of determining whether the charge on the shipment is payable from the mint appropriation. Will you please indicate the character of the material shipped, also state whether any other receipt for the shipment in question was executed by the Philadelphia Mint.

Return of the enclosure, with your reply, is requested.

Yours truly,

W. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

F-S
Encl.

March 27, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your report on form 61-A for the six months ended December 31, 1935, of number of deposits, etc., in the lower left-hand corner of the form.

Will you please advise the Bureau as to the basis used for counting items relative to silver received under the Silver Purchase Act, newly mined silver, and deposits in trust.

Comparison of your reports with those of other institutions makes it evident that the bases used are not uniform, and it is desired to get them on uniform basis in order that the figures used may be comparable.

Yours truly,

Acting Director of the Mint.

F-S

RG104 E-235 Vol 491

March 31, 1936

IMMEDIATE

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Revalue today March thirty first without fail at usual rates thirty thousand fine ounces nationalized silver bullion and three hundred thousand fine ounces newly mined domestic silver bullion and one million seven hundred thousand fine ounces purchase act silver bullion with usual treatment in accounts and usual report procedure for like transactions.

M. M. O'Reilly,
Acting Director Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 491

March 30, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

Enclosed is a voucher received from the Railway Express Agency, which is supported by Government Bill of Lading No. T-368142.

You will note that the voucher is for shipment of $30,000.00 in cents, while, although the penciled notation on the Bill of Lading is $30,000.00 in cents, it calls for shipment of $3,000.00.

Will you please adjust the discrepancy, and return the voucher and bill of lading to this office as soon as possible, in order that we may place the voucher in line for payment.

Very truly yours,

M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

P:d F

Enc.

April 1, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

Herewith please find bill of lading No. T-345574 dated December 7, 1935, covering shipment of minor coin to the Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis, Mo., together with carrier's bill and General Accounting Office preaudit rate memorandum.

Please have the shipper's indication of total weight of the 40 bags of nickels corrected and route to the consignee for correction of the delivered weight, then to the Railway Express Agency for correction of their voucher.

All enclosures should be returned to this office after corrections are made.

Yours truly,

N. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

F-S
Encls.

April 1, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

In accordance with the recommendation contained in your letter of March 31st, you are authorized to purchase 5 barrels (approximately 1250 pounds) of cream of tartar, from Charles Pfizer & Company, Inc., at the rate of 16½¢ per pound less 1% 10th proximo.

It is understood that three bids were received, the first two being identical, and the award was made by drawing lots.

Very truly yours,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

O'R/eh

April 2, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

In your letter of February 24, 1936, you recommended that Mary Taylor, Sewing Woman at $4.00 per diem, be transferred from the regular roll to the same position and salary on the emergency roll, effective March 16, 1936. On February 28, you recommended that she be dropped from the regular roll at the close of business March 9, 1936, because of reduction of force. It will be appreciated if you will now submit a letter asking that your recommendation of February 24 be cancelled to clear the records of this office.

Very truly yours,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

MDM

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April 2, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of March 31st in reply to Bureau's letter of March 27th relative to reporting number of deposits on form 61-A.

It is requested that you forward a revised report of number of deposits, for both the first half and the second half of the calendar year 1935, as regards silver receipts, using therefor the number of assay determinations made on the silver, which is the basis used by the New York Assay Office, stated by them as follows:

> "The basis used for counting the number of deposits under the Silver Purchase Act is determined by the number of assays required; for example, if a shipment of 200 bars of silver is divided into 8 lots of 25 bars each for assay purposes, it would be considered as 8 deposits in computing the total number of deposits."

This basis (fineness determinations required) is in accordance with regular practice and should eliminate the inconsistency resulting from your reporting approximately seven times as many silver deposits as the New York Assay Office reports, while they received about two and a half times the quantity of silver received by you.

Yours truly,

M. R. O'Reilly

F-S

Acting Director of the Mint.

April 3, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

Bill of lading #368023, supporting voucher of the Reading Co. for $6.66, covering freight charges on one steel safe from Toledo, Ohio to Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, is herewith enclosed for completion of the pick-up and delivery certificate as to whether pick-up services at origin and destination were or were not by the Government. After you have signed the one as to destination, please send the bill of lading to the Meilink Steel Safe Company for signature to the certificate as to the pick-up at origin.

In the future, please see that these requirements are met on all freight bills of lading. This applies to freight and not express bills of lading.

Very truly yours,

W. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

P:F:d

April 3, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

In accordance with the recommendation contained in your letter of April 2nd, you are authorized to purchase 25 dozen pairs of heavy "buck" gloves, from M. Segal & Sons, at the rate of $8.40 per dozen pairs, net.

It is understood that three bids were asked and two received. The bid of Richard Evans & Sons, Inc., while slightly lower than that of M. Segal & Sons, does not appear to be in accord with your specifications and would probably not suit your purpose on account of heat conductivity, tending to burn the men's hands when used on hot metal.

It is further understood that these gloves are used in handling precious metals and when worn too much for further use, are burned to recover whatever metals may be adhering to them.

Very truly yours,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

O'R/eh

April 3, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

In accordance with the recommendation contained in your letter of April 2nd, you are authorized to purchase 12 desk and wall fans, 16" oscillating, for 220-volts A. C. current, from the Franklin Electric Company, at the rate of $20.50 each, less 2% tenth proximo.

It is understood this was the lower of two bids received of four asked.

Very truly yours,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

O'R/eh

April 4, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

The Treasurer of the United States has turned over to this Bureau a bullion balance which has been in the Department for some years. It has been taken apart under the direction of Mr. Quirk.

The balance is being sent to you with the request that it be placed in condition to be transferred, subsequently, to the Fort Knox Bullion Depository. Will you please cause the work on this balance to be undertaken as quickly as possible. It is presumed that it will be necessary to have new weights made.

Very truly yours,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

O'R/eh

April 4, 1936.

Superintendent, United States Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.
" " " " San Francisco, Calif.
" " " " Denver, Colo.

Gentlemen:

Reference is made to amendment of March 13, 1936, to Treasury Department Circular No. 55, Revised, on the subject of redemption of coins which have been so altered as to render them available for use as coins of another denomination. 1/

The prescribed charges on these lots of coins are to be collected by you, ordinarily as deductions from their total value, and are to be transmitted by you to the local Chief Disbursing Officer as miscellaneous receipts under the designation "Charges on altered coins received for redemption", symbol 6325.

Since the collected charges will be in the form of coin for recoinage there will have to be substitution of cash therefor in order that deposit of the charges may be made in the Treasury as miscellaneous receipts, and there must also be increase of the Recoinage Fund.

Expenditure of cash to the amount of the charges may be made from the bullion Cash account under the head "Transfers to other Treasury offices - charges on altered coins," with corresponding account in the Bullion Fund. The resulting cash will constitute an asset in the regular accounts. The Recoinage Fund will be increased in the amount of the charges as well as in the amount of the payment by the Treasurer on your certification, since these combined amounts will total the value of the redeemable coins received. When the charges are to be covered into the Treasury through the accounts of the Chief Disbursing Officer, a bullion fund check for the amount in question could be drawn, which check could be cashed from the regular account assets. The check would thus become an asset of the regular account and the cash be returned to the bullion fund assets. This check could then be transmitted to the local assistant of the Chief Disbursing Officer and be used by him for procuring a certificate of deposit on form 1.

Yours truly,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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1/ Principal item will be pennies enlarged in diameter for use as nickels in slot machines.

April 7, 1936.

Superintendent, United States Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.
" " " " San Francisco, Calif.
" " " " Denver, Colo.
" U. S. Assay Office, New York, N. Y.
Assayer in Charge, U. S. Assay Office, Seattle, Wash.
" " " United States Mint, New Orleans, La.

Gentlemen:

Herewith please find additional list of certain corporations, dated April 4, 1936, received from the office of the Assistant General Counsel of the Bureau of Internal Revenue. Please forward to this Bureau your answer stating whether or not your institution has any claims against any of the listed concerns.

Yours truly,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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Encl.

April 10, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

In accordance with the recommendation contained in your letter of April 9th, you are authorized to purchase from the Crocker-Wheeler Manufacturing Company, the following electric equipment for use on two new automatic weighing machines which you are building:

2 electric motors, 1/3 H.P. for 220-volt D.C., 1100 RPM., @ $55.44 each, net,----------$110.88

2 running regulators, for the above motors, @ $106,48 each, net,---------- 212.96

It is understood that the above bid was the only one received of three asked.

Very truly yours,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

O'R/eh

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April 10, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

Referring to your telegram of April 9th and telephone communication from this Bureau, please be advised that you can restore to the pay roll additional pro rata time and pay on account of accrued leave from January 1st to employees in the Service March 14th and dropped since then.

You cannot restore to the pay roll additional pro rata time and pay on account of accrued leave to those dropped prior to March 14th.

It should be understood that this is an administrative policy being followed at the present time until the Comptroller General rules upon the question involved.

Very truly yours,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

O'R/eh

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April 10, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of April 7, enclosing notice of the death of James P. Hogan, Skilled Workman at $6.32 per diem, and short form payroll in the amount of $88.48 for the period March 16-31, 1936.

I am returning the payroll so that you may adjust the payment to include salary for April 1, 1936. The General Accounting Office will allow payment of salary for the date of death if the employee is entitled to annual or sick leave to cover that day. It will also be necessary to submit a receipted undertaker's bill and Form 1055, "Application for Settlement by the General Accounting Office of Amounts Due Deceased Civilian Employees, etc.," to be transmitted to the General Accounting Office with the payroll for payment.

It will be appreciated if you will submit a statement of the retirement deductions taken from Mr. Hogan's salary so that Form 2806 may be completed and forwarded to the U. S. Civil Service Commission as soon as possible. As you probably are aware, Mr. Hogan filed a Designation of Beneficiary form naming Mrs. Hogan as his beneficiary. She may submit the copy of this form retained by Mr. Hogan to the Commission for payment of the amount due.

Very truly yours,

Acting Director of the Mint.

Enclosure

MDM

April 13, 1936.

Superintendent, U. S. Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.,
Superintendent, U. S. Mint, San Francisco, Calif.,
Superintendent, U. S. Mint, Denver, Colo.,
Superintendent, U. S. Assay Office, New York, N. Y.,
Assayer in Charge, U. S. Mint, New Orleans, La.,
Assayer in Charge, U. S. Assay Office, Seattle, Wash.

Dear Sir:

The following is a copy of the memorandum received today from the officer in charge of the Publicity Department of this Department. The Publicity Department is part of the Office of the Secretary of the Treasury. The order is self-explanatory and this Bureau will appreciate your courtesy in complying with it. Should it become necessary to make reports in regard to the subject matter of the memorandum below quoted, please direct your communications to the Director of the Mint.

"April 11, 1936.

TO: Heads of Bureaus and Divisions
FROM: Mr. Gaston

It is desirable that a central record be kept of all public addresses delivered and of all speaking engagements entered into by officers of the Treasury Department. Therefore it will be appreciated if you will send to me a memorandum as to any speaking engagements accepted by yourself or any persons employed under you from this date. The memorandum should state the time and place of the address and the name of the organization under whose auspices the address is to be delivered."

Very truly yours,

W. W. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

O'R/eh

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April 14, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

The following pertains to your February accounts.

Page 3 of your bullion account current is returned for correction as per pencil notations thereon to separately show the amount of minor coinage profits transferred to G. F. Allen's Washington account.

Voucher No. 3-22612 (mint No. 936); certificate of award is returned for completion.

Vouchers No. 3-20686 and 3-3-21210 (mint nos. 860 and 890), Philadelphia Electric Co. The applied rates differ from those in the contract; if new rates have been authorized, two copies thereof should be forwarded to the Bureau, one of which will be sent to the General Accounting Office for filing with the original of the contract.

Statement and certificate of award pertaining to voucher numbered 3-20906 (mint No. 882) Spaulding Fibe Co., Inc., is returned for justification of telephoned instead of written quotations.

If you have no unliquidated encumbrances against the 1935 appropriations for Salaries and Expenses, Mints and Assay Offices, and Transportation of Bullion and Coin it is requested that you notify the regional assistant of the Chief Disbursing Officer to that effect with request that the balances standing to his credit, ($2,742.92 and $89.46 respectively at the end of February) be returned to the Treasury.

Redundant copy of voucher No. 35, Minor Coinage Metal Fund, is returned for your files.

Yours truly,

H. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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Encls.

April 14, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

In connection with the verification of the service record of Mr. Gustav A. Reiss, Jr., as a Weigher at $3.00 per diem in the Railway Mail Service, Post Office Department, during the period April 7, 1917 to April 30, 1917, the Post Office Department advises that it can find no record of this service.

It will be appreciated if you will have Mr. Reiss furnish any additional information that he may have regarding this service in the Railway Mail Service so that a further attempt may be made to locate it.

Very truly yours,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

MDM

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April 14, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

Under date of April 10th, this Department advised the Government of El Salvador, through the State Department, that the coinage recently quoted on by you would be executed at your Mint at the earliest practicable date.

This letter will be authority for you to proceed with this coinage. In accordance with our agreement we are to manufacture 2,500,000 one-centavo pieces at a coinage cost of $3.00 per thousand pieces. It is understood that this charge includes the cost of the working dies and that master dies, metal and shipping boxes will be extra. It is further understood that the only change necessary in the 1928 dies you now have on hand would be that in the date and that the cost of making this change will be $25.00.

Please advise the Bureau when you will be in position to undertake this coinage.

Very truly yours,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

O'R/eh

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April 15, 1936.

Superintendent, U. S. Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.,
Superintendent, U. S. Mint, San Francisco, Calif.,
Superintendent, U. S. Mint, Denver, Colorado,
Superintendent, U. S. Assay Office, New York, N.Y.

Dear Sir:

The new time and leave regulations, approved March 14th, prescribe uniformity in the working hours of each group of employees. Will you please check the inclosed schedule to see that it agrees with the hours of labor of each group in your Office and make any additions covering designated positions not included in the list.

It is requested that this information be supplied as early as convenient.

Very truly yours,

Acting Director of the Mint.

Inclosure.
Q/eh

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April 15, 1936.

Mr. F. H. Chaffin,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Mr. Chaffin:

I am inclosing $1.16 to cover the cost of the twenty-five cent piece you recently sent as a proof specimen and also $0.91 for the set of proof coins received yesterday. Thank you for your courtesy in providing these so promptly.

Please be careful that no duplicates of these proof coins leave your hands.

Very truly yours,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

Inclosure.
O'R/eh

April 15, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

In connection with the verification of the service record of Mr. Gustav A. Reiss, Jr., as a Weigher at $3.00 per diem in the Railway Mail Service operating between Philadelphia and West Chester, Pennsylvania, the information submitted in your letter of November 1, 1935, the Post Office Department reports that it is still unable to locate this service.

If Mr. Reiss has any appointment letters or other papers in his possession which would give the name of the appointing officer or other information pertaining to his employment in the Railway Mail Service, it will be appreciated if a copy or photostat of them could be furnished this office in order that a further attempt may be made to locate this record.

Very truly yours,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

MDM

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April 16, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

In accordance with the recommendation contained in your letter of April 15th, you are authorized to purchase 25 ladle liners, graphite, 11" diameter, at $4.75 each and the same number of 12" diameter at $5.75 each, all less 1% ten days, from the Lava Crucible Company.

It is understood this was the lowest of three bids received.

Very truly yours,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

O'R/eh

April 17, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

Papers relating to contract No. T2m-204 with Miller, Bain, Beyer and Co. for the purchase of 10,000 yards of muslin are herewith returned, for signature of both the certificate on Form 712 as to satisfaction regarding the authority of the officer of the company to sign, and the Statement and Certificate of Award.

Will you please return these papers, when signed, to this office as soon as possible.

Very truly yours,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

RTA:d

April 17, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

Please refer to your letter of April 14th, addressed to Mr. A. Burnstine, 931 G Street, N. W., Washington, D. C., in regard to a deposit of gold and Form TG-22 which accompanied it to your Mint.

Mr. Burnstine is dissatisfied with the weight of 19.46 troy ounces as found by you and insists that his deposit weighed 21 ounces. This Bureau has had Mr. Burnstine bring the weights he used to this Bureau and the weights he used in determining the amount of his gold agree with the weights of the Bureau. We have no leverage for insisting on the weight as reported by the Mint without a further investigation.

Will you be kind enough to send that deposit to the Bureau intact, in order that it may be weighed by the Assayer of the Bureau in Mr. Burnstine's presence. It may be that some of the pieces have been lost from the package in transit. If it is possible to recall, please state whether or not the package as received by you appeared to be intact.

Very truly yours,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

O'R/eh

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O'R/eh

April 17, 1936.

Government Facilities

Superintendent, US Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.

You have referred letter of J. F. Apple to this Bureau relative to stamps on school rings STOP In your reference you state quote We retained check for special assay end quote STOP As neither check nor ring were inclosed with your letter shall we understand that you have retained check and ring for special assay.

O'Reilly, Acting Director Mint.

O'R/eh

April 17, 1936.

Government Facilities

Superintendent, US Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.

You have referred letter of J. F. Apple to this Bureau relative to stamps on school rings STOP In your reference you state quote We retained check for special assay end quote STOP As neither check nor ring were inclosed with your letter shall we underatand that you have retained check and ring for special assay.

O'Reilly, Acting Director Mint.

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Sales

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April 17, 1936.

Government Facilities

Superintendent, US Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.

You have referred letter of J. F. Apple to this Bureau relative to stamps on school rings STOP In your reference you state quote We retained check for special assay and quote STOP As neither check nor ring were inclosed with your letter shall we understand that you have retained check and ring for special assay.

O'Reilly, Acting Director Mint.

April 18, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

Herewith please find notice of exception of the General Accounting Office to voucher No. S 5163 pertaining to your August, 1935, accounts. Will you please supply the data requested by the General Accounting Office.

Yours truly,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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Encl.

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April 20, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

The deposit submitted by Mr. A. Burnstine, 931 G Street, N. W., Washington, D. C., has been received and the gross weight checked by the Assayer of the Bureau. The latter was found to agree with your figures, namely 19.46 ounces.

This deposit is being returned to you today by insured mail and you are requested to put it through its regular course. The affidavit will be forwarded by Mr. Burnstine.

Very truly yours,

Acting Director of the Mint.

Q/eh

April 20, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter of April 17, 1936, relative to the accounting for altered coin. The samples of documents, form 12, forwarded with your letter have been considered by the Treasurer's Office and have been found satisfactory for use as indicated thereon.

Yours truly,

Acting Director of the Mint.

F-S

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April 22, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

Enclosed is a letter from Albert C. Cubbins, an emergency employee in your institution, to the Secret Service Division and a memorandum from Chief Moran. Will you please furnish the report requested for transmittal to the Secret Service Division.

Very truly yours,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

Enclosures

MOM

April 23, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

On April 27, 1936, please make the following book transfers of silver for the purpose of supplying the Philadelphia Mint with nationalized silver bullion available for coining into subsidiary silver coin:

Transfer to the New York Assay Office 5,000,000 ounces Purchase Act silver bullion at 65 cents per ounce (your approximate average cost thereof), total value $3,250,000.00

Transfer from the New York Assay Office 5,000,000 ounces Nationalized silver bullion at $0.50010505, total cost $2,500,525.25.

The New York Assay Office will make contra transfers in their accounts on the same date. No bullion will be physically shipped and the total Mint Service holdings of each class of bullion will remain unchanged.

Copy of this letter is being forwarded to the New York Assay Office for their information and action.

Yours truly,

M. M. O'Farrell

Acting Director of the Mint.

F-S

April 25, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

I am inclosing correspondence received today from the State Department. With the return of this correspondence will you please advise the Bureau as to reply which should be made to the State Department, for transmission to the Minister of El Salvador.

Very truly yours,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

Inclosure.
O'R/eh

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April 27, 1956.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

I am returning one of the Monroe medals. Due to the fact that a double case could not be procured in time, the person for whom it was intended decided that one will answer the purpose.

I am inclosing a check for the medal retained, together with 35¢ for the sample case you sent to this Office some time ago.

Very truly yours,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

Inclosure.
O'R/eh

April 28, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

Your letter of April 18, 1936, addressed to the Procurement Division, Treasury Department, Washington, D. C., and requesting the forwarding of six boxes of long carbon paper for use in writing checks, has been referred to this office for consideration.

The usual requisition is being prepared by this office for the supplying of the needed carbon paper. As heretofore, your needs for stationery, etc., as well as other supplies, should continue to be forwarded to this Bureau for consideration, instead of to the Procurement Division direct.

Yours truly,

N. M. O'Reilly,

Acting Director of the Mint.

F-S

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April 29, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

Please advise the Bureau the number of gold, silver and bronze Norse-American medals issued by your Mint.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Taylor Ross

Director of the Mint.

April 30, 1936

IMMEDIATE

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Revalue today April thirtieth without fail at usual rates three hundred thousand fine ounces purchase act silver bullion and three hundred thousand fine ounces newly mined domestic silver bullion with usual treatment in accounts and usual report procedure for like transactions.

Necoie Tayloe Ross,
Director Mint.

April 30, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

In accordance with the recommendation contained in your letter of April 29th, you are authorized to purchase 5,000 pounds of 1-3/8" round tool steel, specially annealed, from The Midvale Company, at the rate of $0.2019 per pound, less ½ of 1% for payment in ten days.

It is understood that the above bid was one of six equal bids received and that your reasons for recommending acceptance of the Midvale Company's bid are the prompt delivery which they can make and the most satisfactory results obtained in the past.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Tayloe Ross

Director of the Mint.

April 30, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

This letter will confirm telephone communication requesting you to forward to the Mint at San Francisco fifteen obverse dime dies and twelve large nickel collars.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Tayloe Ross

Director of the Mint.

April 30, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

A letter has been received from the United States Civil Service Commission stating that the Commission has information to the effect that the following employees in the Mint service at Philadelphia are alleged to have been, or are at present, politically active as indicated:

Name	Position	Alleged Political Activity
Gorman, Samuel J.	Guard paid from emergency funds.	Was active at the polling place all day on March 25, 1936.
Mylotte, Thomas J.	ditto	Has filed application for Committeeman and is being annoying to the neighbors.
Petrone, Joseph A.	Machinist paid from emergency funds.	Is canvassing votes for the Ward Committee; is exercising coercion on prospective voters, and apparently uses his job as a political build-up.
Steck, William	Helper paid from emergency funds.	Is now Committeeman; is politically active, and has filed petition for reelection as Committeeman.

In regard to the political activity of employees paid from emergency funds, the Commission states as follows:

"Under section 1 of Civil Service Rule 1, it is not permissible for classified employees to take an active part in

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political management or in political campaigns. Although it is understood that Messrs. Gorman, Mylotte, Petrone, and Steck are paid from emergency funds and have no classified status, it is believed the Department will order that the restrictions of Rule I apply in their cases because they are holding positions that are ordinarily in the classified service."

Four copies of form 1236 are enclosed which are to be given to these four employees. Their attention should be called to paragraph 37 of this form in order that they may become familiar with the provisions contained therein. Their attention should also be called to Sections 118 and 119 of the Criminal Code which are discussed in paragraphs 38 to 43 of form 1236. These sections are mentioned in view of the fact that political activity often includes the solicitation of funds.

The Commission suggests that Messrs. Gorman, Mylotte, Petrone and Steck be cautioned to refrain from further political activity. In the event of their continued activity, it will be a basis upon which to ask for their dismissal from the service.

Very truly yours,

Mellie Jaybe Rose

Director of the Mint.

Enclosures.
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May 1, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

I am inclosing a fifty-cent piece which this Bureau received from the Secret Service. Please note this defective coin and take such precautions as will prevent a piece in this condition leaving the Mint.

The Secret Service representative removed a part of the silver from the edge of the coin but the imperfect reeding will be obvious to you.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Taylor Ross

Director of the Mint.

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May 2, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

Mr. Howland Wood, of the American Numismatic Society, has asked the Bureau to obtain information relative to the following questions:

How many punches were used in making the star on the Grant Memorial dollar? This question has been asked for the reason that more than one type of star is found on the Grant Memorial dollar. The variation is slight but can be clearly seen under a glass.

Mr. Wood says that the palm leaf on the base of the Lafayette dollar is not in the same place on all of these coins. Can the Engraver assist us in accounting for this?

Will it be possible for you to obtain from the old records the monthly record of the coinage of half dollars in 1853?

Very truly yours,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

C'R/eh

May 2, 1936.

Superintendent, U. S. Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.,
Superintendent, U. S. Mint, Denver, Colo.,
Superintendent, U. S. Mint, San Francisco, Calif.,
Superintendent, U. S. Assay Office, New York, N. Y.,
Assayer in Charge, U. S. Mint, New Orleans, La.,
Assayer in Charge, U. S. Assay Office, Seattle, Wash.

Dear Sir:

I am inclosing copy of Departmental Circular No. 138, relative to political activity of Federal employees. Please place this circular in a conspicuous place where it can be seen by every employee in your institution.

I also have to request that you cause each member of your force to read the WARNING attached to this circular.

Very truly yours,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

Inclosures.
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May 4, 1936.

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

Your letter of the 20th ultimo in regard to G. S. C. Classes at hand.

Please be advised that there is no G. S. C. Class numbered 21.

Classes 33 (covering period Jan. 1 to Sept. 30 - 36) and 41 (covering period Jan. 1 to Aug. 15 - 36) have previously been mailed to your office since January 1, 1936. However, if you are now unable to locate your copies, additional copies will be obtained and forwarded.

Enclosed find Class 36.

Very truly yours,

M. M. Reis

Acting Director of the Mint

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Encl.

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May 5, 1936.

Government Facilities

Superintendent, US Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.

Authorized to accept proposal of American Smelting and Refining Company to supply your Mint with three hundred thousand pounds of copper at the rate of decimal naught nine four seven five cents per pound this being the lowest of three bids received of five asked.

O'Reilly, Acting Director Mint.

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May 5, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

I am inclosing a letter received by this Bureau from Mr. Frank Vittor, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. Will you be kind enough to cause a reply to be sent directly to Mr. Vittor. He has been advised that the cost of manufacturing master dies will be $300.00.

With the return of Mr. Vittor's letter to this Bureau, please let us have a copy of your letter for our files.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Tayloe Ross

Director of the Mint.

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May 5, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

In accordance with the recommendation contained in your letter of May 4th, you are authorized to purchase 2 pouring devices, for use with the new electric furnaces, from the Modern Equipment Company, at the rate of $112.00 each less 2% ten days.

It is understood that this was the only bid received of three invited.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Tayloe Ross

Director of the Mint.

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May 6, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

I have your letter of May 5, 1936, enclosing the application for retirement on account of disability of Mr. David J. Quaid, Laborer at $5.00 per diem, and supporting papers.

It is noted that you recommend that he be separated from the service. It will be necessary for you to carry Mr. Quaid on the payroll in a leave without pay status, if he has no leave due him, until his application is approved by the Civil Service Commission. You will be notified of the date of approval and you may drop him any time after that.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Taylor Ross

Director of the Mint.

R:M

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May 9, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

March voucher No. 3-25015 (mint No. 1035), The Western Union Telegraph Co. Two charges are made, of 20¢ each, for a message filed February 27, 1936, at 4:22 p. m., addressed to John T. Brennan. There are two telegraph blanks, with identical wording as regards the message, but the company's code preceding the message differs slightly on the two forms - possibly both the original and a carbon copy of the message were handled, erroneously, by different telegraph operators.

Voucher No. 3-25018 (mint No. 1038) Firth-Sterling Steel Co. On the proposal form the bidder noted "If order would be increased to 1,000 lbs. the price would be 1/4¢ per lb. less," etc. Order was placed for 800 lbs. but over 1,100 lbs. were delivered and accepted. In view of this it would appear that the vendor should adjust his charge to the quoted quantity rate by making refund of the difference, $2.79.

Voucher No. 3-25021 (mint No. 1031), William Graham & Co. Alcohol purchased on this voucher is indicated as General Schedule item No. 51-A-1935 (b). According to Bureau records this item pertains to a contract not effective until April 1, whereas order is dated February 20, 1936, and delivery was made March 4th. Was there a supplemental General Schedule for the period prior to April?

Voucher No. 3-25324 (mint No. 1084), Colonial Drug Co. Copy of authority for making this purchase approved by the Secretary of the Treasury is required. Please forward same. This is regular practice, of long standing, as regards first aid supplies.

Deposit certificate No. NP 114, Anaconda Sales Co., is enclosed for assayer's countersignature and return.

Blumberg & Nicholson were awarded about 1,000 lbs. of scrap die steel @ 35¢ per 100 lbs. on their bid of November 11, 1935. The vouchers show delivery to them of the other items which they purchased, but no mention is made of the die steel; explanation is requested.

Yours truly,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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Encls.

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May 11, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

In accordance with the recommendation contained in your letter of May 8th, you are authorized to accept the proposal of the Acheson Graphite Corporation to thread approximately 400 graphite electrodes, and turn them to fit the new electric furnaces which you are having installed by the Detroit Electric Furnace Company, this work to cost at the rate of 72¢ each; also to have them furnish 400 graphite nipples for these electrodes at the rate of 31½ each; making a total cost of approximately $412.00 for both items.

It is understood that these electrodes have been on hand since you used the Rennerfelt electric furnace and by having them threaded and purchasing connecting nipples they can be used on the new furnaces, thus obviating the necessity of buying new ones at the present time, at an approximate cost of at least $3.00 apiece.

It is further understood that the above bid was the only one received of three invited.

Very truly yours,

M. M. Reely

Acting Director of the Mint.

O'R/eh

May 9, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

This letter will confirm telephone communication of today, authorizing you to purchase 100,000 pounds of blanks for U. S. five-cent nickel pieces, from the Scovill Manufacturing Company, at the rate of 49¢ per pound.

It is understood that the above bid is the lower of two received of three invited.

Very truly yours,

M. H. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

O'R/eh

May 11, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

The following is supplemental to our letter of May 9th regarding your March accounts.

On regular payroll for February 16 - 29, page 14, line 3, marginal notations against account of Theodore Kloeren indicate deduction for 1-11/32 days absence without pay while the detail data computes to 1-10/32 days.

According to Bureau official records Peter Caravello and Thomas J. Lavery were dropped at close of business February 29th, but the former was paid for two days and the latter for one day on March 1 - 15 emergency roll, with indication in margin of having been dropped March 3rd and 2nd. There is also for consideration the question of whether both they and their successors were paid for the same day. Please advise the Bureau as to the facts and recommend action for clearing the records or for reimbursing the cash accounts.

Yours truly,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

P-F-S

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O'R/eh

May 12, 1936.

Government Facilities

Superintendent, US Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.

Authorized to break joint seal on Apartment six Vault E to remove as needed double eagles to be melted STOP Understood representative from Customs Service will be present to witness opening and joint sealing of vault.

O'Reilly, Acting Director Mint.

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May 13, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

Enclosed is the "Notice of Retirement from Service", in the case of Mr. Joseph P. Gillespie, who retired from the service on April 30, 1936.

Please have Mr. Gillespie sign the receipt at the bottom of the notice and return it to this office.

Very truly yours,

Acting Director of the Mint.

Enclosure

MDM

May 13, 1936.

Sorintendent,
Uted States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dar Sir:

Reference is made to your letter of March 27, 1936, relative to bill of lading No. T-336277 which you state had been located and forarded to the Railway Express Agency, Inc., for use in lieu of certificate that had previously been issued in lieu of lost bill of lading.

After waiting for the Railway Express Agency to forward such original bill of lading to this office, we communicated with them under date of April 22d and they replied on April 29th that they were unable to locate any record of this bill of lading, but that the matter would be investigated and if the bill of lading was located it would be forwarded to this office.

Nothing has been heard from them since that date and it is therefore suggested that you take up with them the question of locating the bill of lading, since we are still holding their bill No. G/2/7358 for carrying charges on the item in question.

Yours truly,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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May 13, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

In accordance with the recommendation contained in your letter of May 12th, you are authorized to accept the proposal of the Standard Copper Works, to recover three tumbling barrels with monel metal at a cost of $75.00 each, less 2% ten days.

It is understood that this is the lowest of three bids received.

Very truly yours,

Jn. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

O'R/eh

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May 13, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

I am inclosing correspondence received by this Bureau today from the Assistant Secretary of the Treasury, in regard to the political activity of certain employees of your institution.

In addition to those named the Bureau has received a telephone communication from Representative Stack, who states the following persons have "filed for the ward organization and were elected and were actually engaged in politics": William J. Dougherty, Catherine Devlin, George Jackson, Manuel McGreal and William McNeal.

Will you please look into this matter at the earliest possible date and give the Bureau a report on each of these nine cases. Please return the attached correspondence with your reply.

Very truly yours,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

Inclosures.
O'R/eh

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May 14, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

Will you please forward to the Bureau a new medal to take the place of the one being forwarded to you today.

Very truly yours,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

O'R/eh

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May 14, 1936.

Superintendent,
U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

This Bureau is in receipt of notice of settlement by Warrant No. 3466 P for the following:

Gas Masks, service M1A2,		
12 ea. $16.748		$200.98
Additionalhandling charges		5.91
Revolvers 38 cal.		
50 ea. $18.89		944.50

The above amount is chargeable to the current Salaries and Expenses Appropriation.

If this settlement liquidates encumbrances already set up, please report it as such as a separate item on your monthly appropriation transaction statement.

Very truly yours,

Acting Director of the Mint.

P F

RG104 E-235 Vol 491

May 15, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of May 13, regarding pay to temporary employees of the Mint service for Memorial Day.

The temporary time and leave regulations do not alter the conditions of the Comptroller General's Decision of July 16, 1934, in regard to payment of salary to temporary per diem employees for Sundays and holidays. This Decision states that if their employment is from day to day or for a period of short duration, temporary employees are not entitled to pay for holidays when no service is rendered. Temporary per annum employees, of course, are paid for Sundays and holidays occurring within their period of service.

Very truly yours,

Acting Director of the Mint.

MDM

May 15, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

In accordance with the recommendation contained in your letter of May 14th, you are authorized to purchase two 2 H. P. motors from the Crocker-Wheeler Mfg. Company, at the price of $122.32 each, net.

Three bids were invited but only two were received, both being identical. It is understood that your reason for accepting the above bid is that these motors have the grease sealed ball bearings requested while the other bidder's motors do not possess this feature.

Very truly yours,

Acting Director of the Mint.

O'R/eh

May 15, 1936.

Superintendent, United States Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.
" " " " San Francisco, Calif.
" " " " Denver, Colo.
" U. S. Assay Office, New York, N. Y.
Assayer in Charge, U. S. Assay Office, Seattle, Wash.
" " " United States Mint, New Orleans, La.

Gentlemen:

The following information is supplied for your guidance in use of the General Schedule of Supplies, and in submitting requisitions for stationery, etc., heretofore submitted on stationery requisition form (Departmental Stock Form 2162). This latter form is obsolete and its use should be discontinued. If your future stationery requisitions are submitted on this form they will be returned for resubmission on Procurement Division Form 1, "Purchase Authority." A supply of the latter form is being forwarded you under separate cover. In submitting requisitions on Procurement Division Form 1, four copies should be forwarded to this Bureau. The items of stationery that are contained in the "Schedule of Stock Items" are carried in stock in Washington and can ordinarily be shipped out promptly. It is understood that they will be charged to the appropriation "Stationery, Treasury Department - 26052", rather than being charged to a Mint appropriation.

Items of stationery that are not contained in the "Schedule of Stock Items" but are carried in the regular "General Schedule of Supplies", such as have heretofore been supplied you under the head of "Stationery", are still being supplied and charged to the appropriation "Stationery, Treasury Department - 26052", but your requisition therefor should be on a separate requisition or schedule from the items listed from the "Schedule of Stock Items", since they must be purchased after receipt of the requisition.

As heretofore, necessary items procured from General Schedule contractors, which do not come under the head of "Stationery", may be ordered by you direct from the contractors, and are payable from Mint appropriation.

These procurement procedures are known as -

Stock - - - - - i. e., items listed in the Schedule of Stock Items.
Term contract - i. e., items listed in the General Schedule of Supplies.

The terms "Definite Quantity" and "Additional Quantity", in connection with orders on General Schedule contracts, appear now to be obsolete.

In preparing your requisitions, the item numbers listed in the Schedules should be given in each instance in the left-hand column of the Purchase Authority form, with description of the items in the next column, and where more than one item is ordered on the same requisition form, a space of one line should be left blank between items.

Yours truly,

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Acting Director of the Mint.

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May 16, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

The president of the Oregon Trail Memorial Association, Inc., 4828 - 217th Street, Bayside, L. I., New York, has made formal request for the execution of ten thousand Oregon Trail half dollars at your Mint. This letter will be authority for you to proceed with the execution of this order at your earliest convenience.

It is understood that if any change is required in the die the usual payment will be made for this work before the coins are delivered to the Oregon Trail Memorial Association.

Mr. Howard R. Driggs, the president of the Oregon Trail Memorial Association, has stated that it would be helpful to them if they could have the coins not later than June 15th.

Very truly yours,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

O'R/eh

May 16, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

This letter will be authority for you to accept the proposal of J. A. Samuel and Company for the purchase of five lots of sweeps, the bid of this company being the highest of four received and eight requested.

Melting & Refining			Coiners
Lot 1	Lot 2	Lot 4	
$12,287.34	$19,695.71	$7,144.62	$5,588.29

Superintendents

$13,820.00

Very truly yours,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

O'R/eh

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May 18, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

Enclosed is Form 375 which is to be filled out by Mr. Joseph L. Zuikis and returned to this office for transmission to the Civil Service Commission.

Mr. Zuikis' transfer to the position of Die Maker at $7.04 per diem, is delayed pending the receipt of this form.

Very truly yours,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

Enclosure

MDM

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May 18, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

This office has received further correspondence from the Civil Service Commission in regard to political activity on the part of two emergency employees of your office. The names of these employees and the alleged political activities are given below:

Name	Position	Alleged political Activity
Carberry, James E.	Melter, U. S. Mint, Philadelphia. Paid from emergency funds.	Is active politically and recently gave sample ballots to people in his neighborhood.
Tomaszewski, Joseph	Helper, U. S. Mint, Philadelphia. Paid from emergency funds.	Is a candidate for committeeman in 5th Division, 25th Ward.

The Commission has enclosed two forms 1236 to be handed to Messrs. Carberry and Tomaszewski with instructions to pay particular attention to paragraphs 38 to 43 which cover Sections 118 and 119 of the Criminal Code. These Sections refer to the solicitation of funds, an offense which is punishable by a fine of $5,000 or by a prison term of three years.

The Commission recommends that these employees be cautioned to refrain from further political activity.

Very truly yours,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

MOM

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May 19, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

Will you please forward to the Bureau a copy of your acceptance of the proposal of Miller, Bain, Beyer & Co. to supply 10,000 yards of muslin. This voucher is required to support contract No. T2m-304 dated February 10, 1936.

Yours truly,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

F-S

May 19, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

This letter will confirm telephone communication of today, authorizing you to forward to the Mint at San Francisco three large canvas belts for reviewing machine.

Very truly yours,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

C'R/eh

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May 20, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

A communication has been received from the U. S. Civil Service Commission to the effect that the following employees serving temporarily under section 4 of Rule VIII in the Philadelphia Mint, are alleged to be holding the political office of divisional committeeman:

Name	Position	Date of Appointment
Bostic, Griffith T.	Melter	12-6-35
Donahue, Thomas	Melter	12-6-35
*Groody, Thomas P.	Annealer	11-16-35
Hartley, Ernest J.	Melter	12-7-35
Lepping, John P., Jr.	Annealer	11-16-35
Ludovico, Charles	Melter	12-7-35
Wachtel, Alexander	Melter	11-11-35
Washington, Benjamin	Melter	12-6-35

* Transferred to Emergency Roll April 16, 1936.

In regard to temporary employees the Civil Service Commission states as follows:

"Under section 1 of Civil Service Rule I, it is not permissible for classified employees to take an active part in political management or in political campaigns. The restrictions of Rule I apply in the same degree to temporary employees occupying classified positions as to permanent classified employees."

The Commission recommends that the employees listed above be required to resign the political office of divisional committeeman (furnishing copy

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of their resignation together with acceptance thereof to the Commission through the Department), and that they be warned that any further political activity may result in their removal from the service.

As the Commission did not furnish forms 1236 for distribution to the above employees, it is suggested that you obtain a copy of this form from one of the employees who have already been notified and acquaint them with its contents.

Very truly yours,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

MDM

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May 20, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

There is being forwarded by express today a plaster model of one side of the Cincinnati Centennial coin. The other side is being completed and will be forwarded as soon as possible.

It may be that you will find the relief of this model somewhat too high but it is hoped that it will be practicable for you to utilize it as it is. This model was designed by Miss Constance Ortmeyer of Washington. The association is, of course, anxious to have work begun on this model as soon as possible.

Very truly yours,

A. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

C'R/eh

May 21, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

Returned herewith please find the copy of proposal forwarded with your letter of May 20th pertaining to contract T2m-304.

The document required to support the contract is a copy of your notification to the bidder that his bid is accepted. The notation on the enclosed proposal is merely a memorandum relative to your own record and is not a notification to the bidder that his bid is accepted.

Yours truly,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

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Encl.

May 21, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

Returned herewith please find the copy of proposal forwarded with your letter of May 20th pertaining to contract T2m-304.

The document required to support the contract is a copy of your notification to the bidder that his bid is accepted. The notation on the enclosed proposal is merely a memorandum relative to your own record and is not a notification to the bidder that his bid is accepted.

Yours truly,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

F-S
Encl.

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May 21, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

On the emergency roll of your institution for the period April 1-15, 1936, Mr. George R. Edwards, Guard at $1,680 per annum, was dropped at the close of business April 9. In your letter of March 31, you recommended that he be dropped April 5. If the date in your recommendation letter is incorrect, will you please submit a new letter correcting the date of separation.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Taylor Ross

Director of the Mint.

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May 21, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

My attention has been called to the trial strike of the Presidential medal, bearing the same obverse but with a new reverse which has been treated in a manner to bring it into harmony with the obverse.

I think this new reverse is a very great improvement on the first design and take great pleasure in approving it.

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint.

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May 21, 1936

Government Facilities

Mr. Ewin Dressel, Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Please report without delay upon ~~the~~ alleged political activities of the eight Mint employees to whom reference was made in letter to you from the Acting Director of Mint of May 20th.

Nellie Taylor Ross

NELLIE TAYLOE ROSS,
Director.

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May 25, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

I request that you spare the services of Mr. Chaffin to act as Chairman of the Settlement Committee at San Francisco, the services of Mr. Cannon to serve as a member of the Committee at New York and of Mr. Boyce to serve as a member of the Committee in Denver, also Mr. Roland to act as Chairman of the Settlement Committee at New York.

Settlement will start June 15th.

Travel must be made by the shortest possible route and round trip or excursion tickets wherever obtainable must be employed. Should automobile travel be preferred, immediate notice should be given the Bureau as transportation orders and letter of instructions must be written accordingly.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Tayloe Ross

Director of the Mint.

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May 25, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of May 22, 1936, relative to contract T2m-304 with Miller, Bain, Beyer & Co., from which it is noted that no formal acceptance of the proposal in question was issued.

If the acceptance was oral or telephoned, it is requested that written confirmatory acceptance be sent the bidder, and that a carbon copy thereof be forwarded to the Bureau, to complete the papers evidencing the agreement between the parties.

It is important that there be written evidence of a "meeting of minds," since otherwise it would be much more difficult for the Government to enforce compliance by the bidder in case he should choose to not fulfill his portion of the agreement.

Where a public bill is accompanied by proposals and evidence of delivery of the goods, etc., (of consummation of the entire transaction) it is not important that written evidence of accepetance be present; but under other circumstances, and always when a contract is separately filed, the written evidence of acceptance of the proposal is required.

In this particular case the bidder submitted two alternate prices, and the acceptance notation on the proposal does not state which of the two was accepted.

Yours truly,

Nellie Taylor Ross

Director of the Mint.

May 25, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

Please forward to the following address the master die you have on hand for the Navy Good Conduct Medal:

Post Quartermaster,
Headquarters, Marine Corps,
Navy Building,
Washington, D. C.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Taylor Ross

Director of the Mint.

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May 26, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of May 22, 1936, relative to the need for increasing the facilities for supplying the Philadelphia Mint with electric power during the coming fiscal year.

While it is anticipated that the Philadelphia Mint will continue to use electric power from the Philadelphia Electric Company and that a new contract for supplying the current will be solicited for that purpose, the Treasury Department is without authority to create obligations for which no funds are available and therefore cannot now assure the company that a contract will be executed. The Treasury appropriation bill for the fiscal year 1937 has not yet become a law; when it does you will be promptly advised, at which time a contract for supplying electric service to the Philadelphia Mint during the fiscal year 1937 may be negotiated.

Yours truly,

Nellie Taylor Ross

Director of the Mint.

F-S

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May 26, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your requisition of May 21, 1936, submitted on Procurement Division "Purchase Authority" form 1, for items listed in the General Schedule of Supplies, printed forms, tags, envelopes, etc.

Procurement Division form 1 is designed to be used only for "Stock" schedule items; for General Schedule of Supplies items and items that have to be purchased by the Procurement Division in the open market, and the four copies submitted (original and carbon) should all be on form 1. Requisitions for numbered blank forms, tags with printing thereon, letterheads, printed envelopes, blank books, ruled paper which is not listed in the Schedule, and all other items having printing thereon, should not be made on "Purchase Authority" form 1, but should be scheduled on letterhead or plain paper, in duplicate; and when blank forms and books are requested, there should be indicated on the requisition the form number, name of office or department under whose jurisdiction issued, and complete title of the form. There should also be indicated on this requisition the quantities in your stock and quantities requested. A sample of each form or item requested (other than General Schedule items or "Stock" schedule items having schedule numbers) should accompany the requisition.

Yours truly,

Nellie Taylor Ross

Director of the Mint.

Y-S

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Form 8862
TREASURY DEPARTMENT
U. S. Mint Service

REPORT ON SPECIAL ASSAY COINS

TREASURY DEPARTMENT
BUREAU OF THE MINT

Washington, D. C., May 27, 36, 19

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Below is the Assayer's report upon special assay coins forwarded by you to this Bureau May 22 - 25th.

Director of the Mint

ASSAYER'S REPORT

Denomination	No. of Delivery	WEIGHT		FINENESS				Remarks
		Grains	Dec.	Gold		Silver		
Half D.	60	192	3			899	9	
		191	9			898	8	
"	61	193	5			899	6	
		193	0			899	0	
"	62	193	1			899	3	Proof coin
		193	8			900	2	" "
Quarter	63	96	6			898	8	" "
		96	3			899	7	" "
Dime	64	38	7			899	2	" "
		38	7			899	8	" "

Assayer.

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May 28, 1936.

Superintendent, United States Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.
" " " " San Francisco, Calif.
" " " " Denver, Colo.
" U. S. Assay Office, New York, N. Y.
Assayer in Charge, U. S. Assay Office, Seattle, Wash.
" " " United States Mint, New Orleans, La.

Gentlemen:

Herewith please find additional list of certain corporations, dated May 23, 1936, received from the office of the Assistant General Counsel of the Bureau of Internal Revenue. Please forward to this Bureau your answer stating whether or not your institution has any claims against any of the listed concerns.

Yours truly,

Nina Taylor Rae

Director of the Mint.

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Encl.

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June 1, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter of May 20th, relative to the type of sample case to be used to protect seals attached to vaults.

Your letter, together with the samples, was forwarded to the Mint at Denver and this Bureau is today in receipt of a reply from Denver to the effect that "sample with one window and two lights on both sides will be satisfactory to the Denver Mint, this being in accordance with previous suggestion".

I have the understanding that you have sent similar samples to San Francisco and New York. If this has not been done please forward samples to the institutions named as soon as possible.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Taylor Ross

Director of the Mint.

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C'R/eh

VIA GOVERNMENT FACILITIES

June 2, 1936.

Contingent Expenses, Office of the
Director of the Mint, 1936.

Supt., U.S.Assay Office, New York, N.Y.,
Supt., U.S.Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.,
Supt., U.S.Mint, Denver, Colo.,
Supt., U.S.Mint, San Francisco, Calif.
Assayer in Charge,U.S.Mint, New Orleans, La.,
Assayer in Charge,U.S.Assay Office, Seattle, Washington.

Please wire today the amount of your encumbrances for uniforms, badges, guns, gas masks and other protective devices during this fiscal year STOP Do not include the amount contracted for and expended for you by the Procurement Division STOP

Nellie Tayloe Ross,
Director of the Mint.

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June 3, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

In accordance with the recommendation contained in your letter of June 2nd, you are authorized to purchase five barrels of cream of tartar (approximately 1250 pounds), from Charles Pfizer & Company, Inc., at the rate of 16½¢ per pound, 1% discount.

It is understood that three equal bids were received and that the above named company was awarded the contract by drawing lots.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Tayloe Ross

Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 491

June 4, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

Returned herewith please find the Purchase Authority dated May 29, 1936, for camel hair brushes and other articles.

Since these articles are chargeable to your appropriation, the simpler procedure for you would be to order them direct from the General Schedule of Supplies contractors, instead of supplies being ordered through the Procurement Division.

You should therefore cancel this purchase authority and place the order direct. The voucher should be submitted for payment to your local Assistant Chief Disbursing Officer.

Yours truly,

Nellie Taylor Ross

Director of the Mint.

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Encl.

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June 4, 1936.

Superintendent, United States Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.
" " " " San Francisco, Calif.
" " " " Denver, Colo.
Assayer in Charge, U. S. Assay Office, Seattle, Wash.
" " " United States Mint, New Orleans, La.

Gentlemen:

Herewith please find, for your information and guidance, copy of letter dated June 2, 1936, addressed to the Superintendent of the United States Assay Office, New York, N. Y., relative to the new table of mint charges effective June 1, 1936.

Yours truly,

Nellie Taylor Ross

Director of the Mint.

F-S
Encl.

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June 4, 1936.

Superintendent, United States Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.
" " " " San Francisco, Calif.
" " " " Denver, Colo.
" U. S. Assay Office, New York, N. Y.
Assayer in Charge, U. S. Assay Office, Seattle, Wash.
" " " United States Mint, New Orleans, La.

Gentlemen:

Proposal forms are being forwarded you under separate cover for use in preparing usual contracts for the fiscal year 1937.

It is suggested that proposals be obtained for supplying the services called for by these proposal forms, also for vault protection if such service is a factor in your institution, and for any other continuing services, as well as for the supplies usually procured under contract. These proposals should be obtained at an early date. However, your letters of acceptance should not be dated since the Treasury Appropriation Bill has not yet become a law. At present no funds are available for the fiscal year 1937, therefore no obligations may be created at this time for expenses for the 1937 fiscal year.

The usual procedure should be followed of forwarding to the Bureau all copies of the proposals, together with all copies of the letters of acceptance, as well as statement and certificates of award, for the Bureau's approval prior to notification of the bidders that their bids have been accepted. If the Government's interests will be best served by accepting other than the lowest bids as to price, your recommendations to such effect should be forwarded, with reasons justifying such action. The letters of acceptance will be dated by the Bureau after funds become available for 1937, and copies of the contracts will be returned to you. Please advise the Bureau of the next ensuing contract number and refrain from using sufficient ensuing numbers to permit the Bureau to assign contract numbers to these agreements when acceptances become effective.

Yours truly,

Nellie Tayloe Ross

Director of the Mint.

F-S

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June 5, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

I am inclosing a letter received from Mr. David M. Bullowa. He refers to conflict between the Report of the Director of the Mint for 1915 and the Catalogue of Coins for 1928 in regard to the designer of the Panama-Pacific half dollar and quarter eagle.

With the return of this correspondence will you please advise the Bureau whether you have any material that would help us to clear Mr. Bullowa's inquiry.

Very truly yours,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

Inclosure.
O'R/eh

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O'R/eh

Via Government Facilities

June 5, 1936.

Contingent Expenses, Office of the
Director of the Mint, 1936.

Superintendent, US Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.

Please forward twenty obverse half dollar dies to the Mint at San Francisco.

O'Reilly, Acting Director Mint.

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June 6, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

This letter will confirm telephone communication of today, requesting that you forward twenty pairs of dime dies to the Mint at Denver as soon as convenient.

Very truly yours,

Acting Director of the Mint.

O'R/eh

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C°R/eh

ViaGovernment Facilities

June 8, 1936.

Salaries and Expenses, Mints and
Assay Offices, 1936.

Superintendent, U.S.Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.

Authorized to accept proposal of Scovill Manufacturing Company to supply two hundred thousand pounds nickel blanks at forty-nine and one-quarter cents per pound and two hundred thousand pounds bronze blanks from the Riverside at decimal three eight five naught cents per pound.

O'Reilly, Acting Director Mint.

June 9, 1936.

Salaries and Expenses, Mints and
Assay Offices, 1936

Superintendent, U S Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.

Appointments of Cannon and Rhein as Rollers and Benson and Ponick as Helpers on emergency roll approved today.

Nellie Tayloe Ross
Director of the Mint.

June 8, 1936.

Mr. F. H. Chaffin, Chairman,
Settlement Committee of the San Francisco Mint,
c/o United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

The Annual Settlement of the United States Mint at San Francisco is to begin on June 15, 1936. You have been designated to act as Chairman of the Committee.

The basis of the settlement will be a statement on Form 976, to be furnished by the Superintendent, certified to as to its correctness by the Bookkeeper, of the balances of gold and silver bullion, coin and other moneys on hand per the books of account, as of the close of business June 5, 1936, and before making entry therein of the gains and losses. Gains or losses will be determined by the relation of this statement to the inventory of bullion and moneys found by the Committee to be actually present.

As early as practicable in the settlement you should make arrangements with the Superintendent regarding date for closing deposit receipts for the settlement period and discontinue payments for deposits, in order to permit definite determination, as of close of settlement, between bullion forming part of the balance as shown by the bookkeeper's records, and that on memorandum for subsequent entry by the bookkeeper.

All bullion on hand will be weighed and computed by the members of the Committee, except that under joint seal, and excepting the refined silver bars received under the following classifications: Newly mined domestic silver received under Executive Proclamations, Nationalized silver received under Executive Proclamations, Purchase Act silver received under the Silver Purchase Act of 1934, and silver received in trust for other governments than the United States. These refined silver bars will be accepted and reported by the Committee without verification, on the basis of the weights and values carried in the accounts. All the coin and moneys on hand not under joint-seal will be weighed and/or counted by you to ascertain if the amounts called for by the books are on hand. In verifying coin that may be stored in bags it should not be necessary to open every bag and count its contents; a test bag taken from time to time and counted, in connection with weighing each bag for agreement with the weight shown on its tag, if such weight reasonably approximates the legal weight of its stated contents.

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should give satisfactory results. Paper currency should be counted piece by piece. If careful examination of the seals and their wrappings, attached to joint-sealed cages or vaults, shows that they are intact, the values contained therein will be accepted by the Settlement Committee as correct. However, if there is evidence that the seals or their wrappings have been so disturbed as to impair their integrity, the contents of the vaults should be verified by the Settlement Committee. If the Superintendent desires that any coin or bullion verified by the Settlement Committee be placed under joint-seal, you will represent this Office in such action.

In weighing the bullion delivered in settlement you will carefully note the character and quality of the same; wherever necessary, you will take samples for check assay, but it should be noted that chip and drill samples of brittle bullion, so-called "white gold" or bullion over 50 in gold metals are liable to give assays differing from the reported finenesses.

Minor coinage metal wastages, as certified to you by the Superintendent from his operative records and other authoritative data, if any, will be accepted and incorporated by you in your report. If visual inspection of the minor metal stocks on hand, considered in connection with the quantities thereof called for by the records, in your opinion warrants physical verification of same, your recommendation to that effect, with the reasons therefor, may be incorporated in your report.

This Office is requesting the Treasurer of the United States to mail to you depositary statements for each of the Superintendents' checking accounts, showing balances therein, to the latest practicable date that will permit their reaching you not later than June 29th. These balances should be reconciled by the Committee with the balances certified by the bookkeeper.

You are directed to make inquiry into the possible sources of gain and loss of bullion in the different divisions of the institution, from the amount charged thereto per the bookkeeper's and other records; stating, so far as practicable, the results of mass melting, the quantity of silver not paid for in gold deposits containing less than 8 thousandths of silver, and the results from all other sources of gain and loss that may come to your notice. Please reconcile these figures, giving estimates where necessary, with the net gains and losses for the year, and indicate whether such differences reasonably reflect normal expectations, for the quantity of metal operated upon.

As required during the course of the settlement, you will obtain from the officers concerned schedules of the material in their possession, for use in checking material as delivered and for filing with your report. The detail sheets should bear the Assayer's "OK" as to fineness, and should be so labeled, arranged and recapitulated by the Committee as to permit ready identification, by reference to the supporting sheets, of items in your report.

Before closing the settlement, you will obtain from each officer a certificate of delivery of material on Form 986. You will also obtain from each officer in possession of coin, or gold or silver bullion, not charged on him in the accounts, statement as to source, quantity on hand (which will be verified), and purpose of holding the same.

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The Committee's report will consist, principally, of Forms 1068, 1068A and 1068B, or typed sheets which may omit unused items but must in all other respects conform thereto, showing amounts on hand, wastages, etc., figures being filled therein from the Committee's working data. These forms (printed) will be supplied to such institution. They should be completely prepared, signed, and forwarded to the Director of the Mint in duplicate, one copy of which the Bureau will forward with the account current for the corresponding period, to meet the requirements of the General Accounting Office. While these forms pertain essentially to the Committee's report, space is provided for the Superintendent of the institution to evidence his agreement therewith. If for any reason the Superintendent disagrees with the Committee's findings, in lieu of signing the form with which he is in disagreement his explanation of such disagreement will be forwarded by him to the Bureau, in duplicate. The Committee's report should also include additional pertinent data, such as amounts placed under joint seal, results of inquiry into sources of gain and loss, with reasons, so far as obtainable, for any apparently excessive loss, and other matters of consequence coming to the attention of the Committee.

You will accept and forward with your report a certified inventory of the stores and other property under the control of the Superintendent; this inventory will not be completely checked, but a general survey of the materials will be made.

A copy of the Committee's report should be delivered to the Superintendent of the Mint.

Very truly yours,

Arthur Taylor Ross

Director of the Mint.

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June 8, 1936.

Mr. Ralph Roland, Chairman,
Settlement Committee of the New York Assay Office,
c/o United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

The Annual Settlement of the United States Assay Office at New York is to begin on June 15, 1936. You have been designated to act as Chairman of the Committee.

The basis of the settlement will be a statement on Form 976, to be furnished by the Superintendent, certified to as to its correctness by the Bookkeeper, of the balances of gold and silver bullion, coin and other moneys on hand per the books of account, as of the close of business June 30, 1936, and before making entry therein of the gains and losses. Gains or losses will be determined by the relation of this statement to the inventory of bullion and moneys found by the Committee to be actually present.

As early as practicable in the settlement you should make arrangements with the Superintendent regarding date for closing deposit receipts for the settlement period and discontinue payments for deposits, in order to permit definite determination, as of close of settlement, between bullion forming part of the balance as shown by the bookkeeper's records, and that on memorandum for subsequent entry by the bookkeeper.

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Minor coinage metal wastages, as certified to you by the Superintendent from his operative records and other authoritative data, if any, will be accepted and incorporated by you in your report. If visual inspection of the minor metal stocks on hand, considered in connection with the quantities thereof called for by the records, in your opinion warrants physical verification of same, your recommendation to that effect, with the reasons therefor, may be incorporated in your report.

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Very truly yours,

Nellie Taylor Ross

Director of the Mint.

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O'R/eh

Via Government Facilities

June 10, 1936.

Salaries and Expenses, Mints and
Assay Offices, 1936.

Superintendent, US Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.

Please forward to San Francisco twelve standard half dollar coin collars.

O'Reilly, Acting Director Mint.

OR

June 11, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

The retirement on account of disability for Mr. David J. Quaid, Laborer, employed in your institution, has been approved by the Civil Service Commission.

Inasmuch as the Commission's approval is dated June 8, 1936, you may forward a recommendation that he be dropped from the roll for retirement under section 6 as of this date, or as soon thereafter as convenient.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Tayloe Ross

Director of the Mint.

R:M

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June 11, 1936.

Superintendent, United States Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.
" " " " San Francisco, Calif.
" " " " Denver, Colo.
" U. S. Assay Office, New York, N. Y.
Assayer in Charge, U. S. Assay Office, New York, N. Y.
" " " United States Mint, New Orleans, La.

Gentlemen:

Please refer to Mint Service form No. 61-A - source classification of bullion deposits - and amend the two footnotes thereon, on all copies of the form, except those for use for the period ending June 30, 1936, from gold 0.992 and silver 0.998 to gold 0.995 and silver 0.996. Classification of all future deposits should be prepared on the amended basis, beginning with deposits pertaining to the fiscal year 1936-7.

Yours truly,

Nellie Taylor Ross

F-S

Director of the Mint.

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June 11, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

This letter will confirm telephone request asking you to forward to the Mint at San Francisco 26 badges for uniforms and to the Mint at Denver 36 badges for uniforms.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Tayloe Ross

Director of the Mint.

June 12, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

There is being forwarded you to-day, by insured registered mail, three silver bars weighing 57.82, 51.10 and 40.21 troy ounces respectively, a total of 149.13 ounces.

In exchange for this metal please forward the Bureau 20 ounces of proof silver, 70 ounces of 500 mg. discs, and the balance in the form of 200 mg. discs.

Very truly yours,

M. M. O'Reilly

Director of the Mint.

Q.

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June 12, 1936.

Superintendent, U. S. Assay Office, New York, N. Y.,
Superintendent, U. S. Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.,
Superintendent, U. S. Mint, Denver, Colo.,
Superintendent, U. S. Mint, San Francisco, Calif.,
Assayer in Charge, U. S. Mint, New Orleans, La.,
Assayer in Charge, U. S. Assay Office, Seattle, Wash.

Dear Sir:

I am inclosing a letter from the Administrative Assistant to the Secretary, upon the back of which will be found a form to be used by you in listing papers and records which have no permanent value or historical interest and which are not used in the transaction of current business. This list, in accordance with law, must be submitted to the Archivist of the United States.

Please read the instructions carefully and forward the report to this Bureau as soon as possible.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Taylor Ross

Director of the Mint.

Inclosure.

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June 13, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

Enclosed is "Notice of Retirement from Service" in the case of Mr. Fred V. Hedelt, former Roller at $6.40 per diem, employed in your institution, who retired May 31, 1936.

Please have Mr. Hedelt sign the receipt at the bottom of the form and return it to this office.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Tayloe Ross

Director of the Mint.

Enclosure.
R:M

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June 15, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

The following pertains to your accounts for the month of April.

Please request the Assistant Disbursing Officer to forward copy of S/B No. 5-1963 for April 16, 1936, depositing the unexpended balances of the appropriations Salaries and Expenses, Mints and Assay Offices, 1935, and Transportation of Bullion and Coin, 1935.

Apparently the delivery charge, 20¢, on a tank of oxygen received in lieu of one with a defective valve should have been deducted as was the value of the contents of the tank. This is brought to attention for guidance in future similar cases - the amount being small may be disregarded in this case.

Please forward for April, and for each subsequent period, a schedule of remittance coin receipts per form 12, by classes of coin - subsidiary silver, nickel, etc. - to accompany the account current to the General Accounting Office.

Prompt reply is requested.

Yours truly,

Nellie Taylor Ross

Director of the Mint.

S.T.R.

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June 15, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter of June 12th, requesting authority to purchase articles to be used in the manufacture of trucks for the Government Depository at Fort Knox, Kentucky.

As the bill providing an appropriation for the support of the Fort Knox Depository has not yet been signed by the President it will not be possible to authorize an expenditure for that institution at this time. It is hoped that other preparations can be made for the manufacture of the trucks until after the opening of the fiscal year when this fund will be available. Should the act be signed by the President within a few days it will be available for the remainder of the fiscal year 1936 and you will be authorized to make these purchases.

Please notice your letter of June 12th, recommending the acceptance of the Pennsylvania Steel and Iron Company's bid. It is believed you intended to recommend the acceptance of the Philadelphia Steel and Iron Company, which is the lowest bidder.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Tayloe Ross

Director of the Mint.

O'R/ek

Via Government Facilities

June 17, 1936.

Salaries and Expenses, Mints and
Assay Offices, 1936.

Superintendent, US Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.

Please forward to Denver twenty pairs nickel dies soon as convenient.

Rice

O'Reilly, Acting Director Mint.

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June 17, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

The schedules of coin received for recoinage, form 12, received with your letter of June 16th, do not supply the needed information, therefore they are returned with request that they be prepared along the lines indicated in pencil at the foot of the enclosure. The information supplied on the enclosure is now available on the account current. It should be a separate schedule for each month, for filing with the account current, which the schedule is to support. The schedule is desired in duplicate.

Yours truly,

M W Ridley

Acting Director of the Mint.

F-S
Encl.

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June 17, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

In accordance with the recommendation contained in your letter of June 16th, you are authorized to accept the proposal of the Wilson Mechanical Instrument Company to supply your Mint with a metal hardness tester at a cost of $428.23.

It is understood that this was the only bid received of three invited.

Very truly yours,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

O'R/eh

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June 17, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

In accordance with the recommendation contained in your letter of June 16th, you are authorized to purchase 25 dozen pairs of horsehide gloves from M. Segal & Sons, at the rate of $5.50 per dozen pairs.

It is understood that three quotations were received, two of them being identical, and that lots were drawn to determine the award.

It is further understood that when these gloves have become too much worn for further use, they are to be burned in order to recover whatever precious metal adheres to them.

Very truly yours,

W. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

O'R/eh

June 17, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

This Bureau is in receipt of C/D No. 3-M-376, no date, in the amount of $25.00, check #45601, and also of C/D No. 3-M-381, dated June 16, 1936, in the amount of $1,000.00, check number not given.

Please advise this office as to the nature of these credits to Salaries and Expenses, Mints and Assay Offices, 1936.

Very truly yours,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

P/d F

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O'R/eh

Via Government Facilities

June 18, 1936.

Salaries and Expenses, Mints and
Assay Offices, 1936.

Superintendent, US Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.

Bureau of Insular Affairs, War Department requests that coinage dies for the commemorative coins for the Philippines be shipped by parcel post to the Treasurer of the Philippine Islands, Manila, Philippine Islands.

O'Reilly

O'Reilly, Acting Director Mint.

June 18, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

Enclosed is a "Notice of Exception" regarding the regular payroll of your institution for the period April 16-30, 1935, which states, "Payroll should show classification and grade in which the positions of various employees have been administratively placed or allocated pursuant to Section 2 of the Act of July 3, 1930. 46 Stat. 105. 14 Comp. Gen. 763."

The Act of July 3, 1930, is the Brookhart Salary Act under which salaries were adjusted to correspond to the rates established by the Act of May 28, 1928 (U. S. C., Supp. 3, title 5, sec. 673). It will be appreciated if you will give this matter your attention in order that this exception may be answered as soon as possible.

Very truly yours,

R. M. O'Neill,

Acting Director of the Mint.

MDM

June 18, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

Mr. Thomas G. Melish, President of the Cincinnati Musical Center Commemorative Coin Association, has requested that of the 15,000 coins authorized for the Cincinnati celebration 5,000 be made at each of the three mints. As the Act authorizing this coinage expressed authority to have the coins made at the mints, this request is to be acceded to.

Mr. Melish has further asked that the 200 first pieces made at each of the mints be encased in envelopes and numbered. Instructions to this effect are being sent to Denver and San Francisco in anticipation of their receipt of the dies which will be sent from your mint as soon as possible. As but 5,000 of these coins are to be struck at each of the mints the number of working dies to be sent to Denver and San Francisco is left to your discretion.

Very truly yours,

D. M. O'Reeley

Acting Director of the Mint.

D.M.O'R:eh

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June 18,1936.

Superintendant,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

The Cleveland memorial coins, for which you are now preparing dies, are to be made at your Mint and no working dies are to be sent to any other Mint.

Mr. Melish, the officer in charge of the distribution of these coins, has requested that the first 200 Cleveland coins be placed in individual envelopes and numbered from 1 to 200. Please bear this in mind in connection with this coinage when it takes place.

Very truly yours,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

C'M/eA

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O'R/eh

Via Government Facilities

June 19, 1936.

Salaries and Expenses, Mints and
Assay Offices, 1936.

Superintendent, US Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.

Special authorization not required to permit you to make usual advances on deposits of bullion as Regulations permit it.

O'Reilly, Acting Director of the Mint.

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June 19, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

The schedules of coins received for recoinage, forwarded with your letter of June 18th, will be used by this office for the months of April and May. For future months it is preferred that the data from each voucher on form 12 be separately scheduled, as to kinds of coin listed thereon, in order that the vouchers (form 12) may be readily checked to the schedule and verification may be made of the totals for the entire period, for each class of coin. Schedules prepared as were those for April and May necessitate our hunting through the vouchers on form 12 until we find the items that make up the amounts shown on the schedule; the schedule amounts are, in some cases, aggregates of items on from two to six or more individual vouchers.

Yours truly,

H. M. O'Reel

F-S

Acting Director of the Mint.

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June 19, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

In accordance with the recommendation contained in your letter of June 18th, you are authorized to accept the proposal of the Bausch & Lomb Optical Company to furnish your Mint with one metallurgical microscope, complete, at a total cost of $176.50.

It is understood that this was the only bid received of three asked.

Very truly yours,

M. N. O'Reel

Acting Director of the Mint.

O'R/eh

June 22, 1936.

Superintendent, United States Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.
" " " " San Francisco, Calif.
" " " " Denver, Colo.
" U. S. Assay Office, New York, N. Y.
Assayer in Charge, U. S. Assay Office, Seattle, Wash.
" " " United States Mint, New Orleans, La.

Gentlemen:

Herewith please find additional list of certain corporations, dated June 13, 1936, received from the office of the Assistant General Counsel of the Bureau of Internal Revenue. Please forward to this office your answer stating whether or not your institution has any claims against any of the listed concerns.

Yours truly,

F-S
Encl.

Acting Director of the Mint.

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all other mints same.

June 22, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

There are being forwarded with this letter five copies of Department Circular No. 563, "Regulations Governing Hours of Employment and Overtime Work", which will be effective July 1, 1936.

Very truly yours,

Acting Director of the Mint.

Enclosures.

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June 23, 1936.

Contingent Expenses, Office of
Director of the Mint, 1936 - 26502

I M M E D I A T E

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
San Francisco, Calif.

Revalue today June twenty third without fail at usual rates nine million fine ounces purchase act silver bullion and eight hundred thousand fine ounces newly mined domestic silver bullion with usual treatment in accounts and usual report procedure for like transactions.

M. M. O'Reilly,
Acting Director

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June 23, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

This Bureau is in receipt of a request from Major Alfred B. Wasson, U. S. A., requesting photographs of the medals presented to Captain Arthur H. Rostron and to Lincoln Ellsworth, R. Amundsen and Umberto Nobile for trans-polar flights.

Will you please advise this Bureau if you have photographs of these medals available to Major Wasson. It is understood that any cost attendant upon photographs of these designs would be borne by Major Wasson. In a previous letter Major Wasson was told that we would not be allowed to make bronze replicas of these medals for the reason that Congress authorized but a single medal, in gold.

Very truly yours,

Acting Director of the Mint.

C'R/eh

June 25, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

I am inclosing correspondence received today from the State Department relative to proposed coinage for the Government of Nicaragua.

With the return of these letters will you please advise the Bureau as to the cost of preparing this coinage in order that the State Department may notify the representative of the Government of Nicaragua as to the costs before the Mint undertakes this coinage.

Very truly yours,

Acting Director of the Mint.

Inclosures.
O'R/ah

June 23, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

In accordance with the recommendation contained in your letter of June 22nd, you are authorized to purchase from Miller, Bain, Beyer & Company, 15,000 yards of 54" twill at the rate of $0.2663 per yard, and 10,000 yards of 54" muslin at the rate of $0.1473 per yard, net.

It is understood that six firms were asked to submit prices but other than the above, no one responded except R. A. Humphry's Sons who quoted 24¢ per yard on the twill item but the sample which they submitted with their bid is absolutely not suitable for the heavy, large coin bags which you make out of twill, as it is too open in weave and does not have the required strength.

It is further understood that the Department of Justice has granted a release for the procurement of these goods in the commercial market.

Very truly yours,

Acting Director of the Mint.

O'R/eh

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June 24, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

This letter will be authority for you to purchase from the Swind Machinery Company one (1) Magnetic Chuck, for use in your die-engraving room, at a total cost of $112.70 net; this being the only bid received of three asked.

Very truly yours,

M. H. O'Rourke

Acting Director of the Mint.

O'R:d

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June 24, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

This letter will be authority for you to purchase from the Pyrometer Instrument Company, New York City, one (1) Optical Pyrometer, sight radiation type, at a cost of $120.00 less 1% ten days; this being the lower of two bids received of three asked.

Very truly yours,

N. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

O'R:d

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June 25, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

Major A. B. Wason, U. S. A., has requested cuts or photographs of the obverse and reverse of the following medals:

> Gold medals bestowed by Congress on Lieutenant David H. Jarvis, Lieutenant Ellsworth P. Bertholf and Doctor Samuel J. Call, all of the Revenue Cutter Service, for the rescue of the Whaling Fleet in the Arctic Regions 1897-1898.

If it is possible for you to supply photographs of these medals will you please communicate directly with Major Wason, 278 N. Fullerton Ave., Montclair, N. J.

Very truly yours,

M. M. O'R.

Acting Director of the Mint.

O'R/eh

RG104 E-235 Vol 491

June 25, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

In reply to your letter of June 22d concerning use of contract numbers for the fiscal year 1937 please be advised that the telephone contracts should carry the old contract numbers which have been in use for several years, and that you may procede to number other contracts in the regular series, as in past years. Also you may use the procedure in effect in recent years in preparing 1937 contracts since the Treasury appropriations for the fiscal year 1937 have now been approved, in lieu of the procedure given in Bureau's letter of June 4, 1936.

Yours truly,

W. H. Rice,

K-B

Acting Director of the Mint.

June 25, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

The Secretary has today approved the design of Mr. Howard Kenneth Weinman for the Long Island Tercentenary half dollar. The design was approved from photographs.

Mr. Weinman has today been requested to forward to you plaster models. The inscription "In God We Trust" is to be placed on the band beneath the ship. It is absent from the photograph for the reason that the letters are to be incised rather than raised and due to the need for sharpness in lettering of that type and size it was deemed best to have this work done later at the Mint directly in the hub. Mr. Weinman has been requested to communicate with you in regard to this feature for the information of the Engraver.

This Bureau is today forwarding a photograph which you may retain for your files.

Very truly yours,

A. N. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

O'R/eh

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June 25, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your letter with reference to settlement you are advised that the Bureau Laboratory has on hand, the following gold belonging to the Philadelphia Mint.

36.00 oz. coin gold @ 900 fine	---	32.40	fine oz.
.89 " proof gold sample		.89 "	"
Total	----	33.29 "	"

Very truly yours,

Acting Director of the Mint.

Q.

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June 26, 1936.

Superintendent, United States Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.
" " " " San Francisco, Calif.
" " " " Denver, Colo.
" U. S. Assay Office, New York, N. Y.
Assayer in Charge, U. S. Assay Office, Seattle, Wash.
" " " United States Mint, New Orleans, La.

Gentlemen:

Will you please prepare and forward to this Bureau, at an early date, your annual report on operations at your institution during the fiscal year ended June 30, 1936. The report should include the usual statistical data as well as description of any unusual features pertaining to the operations.

Yours truly,

W. M. Bailey

Acting Director of the Mint.

F-S

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June 29, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

In response to your letter of June 26th, will you please advise the Bureau of the total cost of sixty frontispieces (cut-out Great Seal) you desire to place on the caps of the guards.

Very truly yours,

W. M. O'Reilly

Director of the Mint.

June 29, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

I am inclosing a copy of a letter received by the State Department from the Chinese Ambassador at Washington, requesting the preparation of three sample coins each of two sizes (the quarter dollar and the half dollar) of the following fineness: 425, 500, 720 and 800. This letter will be authority for you to proceed with the preparation of these sample coins.

It is understood that you have on hand at the Mint the dies for the striking of these specimen coins and that the request of the Ambassador is sufficient authority for you to use those dies for the striking of the sample pieces.

Very truly yours,

W. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

Inclosure.
O'R/eb

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June 29, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

This letter will be authority for you to purchase one floor polishing and scrubbing machine, disk type, electric, 18", with five extra scrubbing and one extra waxing brushes, at a total cost of $251.60 less 1% f.o.b Brazil, Indiana.

It is understood that these articles are listed in the General Supply Schedule.

Very truly yours,

Acting Director of the Mint.

O'R/ek

O'R/eh

Via Government Facilities

June 29, 1936.

Salaries and Expenses, Mints and
Assay Offices, 1936.

Supt., USMint, Phila., Pa.,
Supt., US Mint, San Francisco, Calif.,
Supt., US Mint, Denver, Colo.,
Supt., US Assay Office, New York, N.Y.
Assayer in Charge, US Mint, New Orleans, La.,
Assayer in Charge, US Assay Office, Seattle, Wash.

Following order has today been received from the Secretary of the Treasury quote Except as otherwise specifically provided, effective July 1, 1936, all employees of the Treasury, in Washington and the Field, whose salaries are paid from the appropriations for "Expenses, Emergency Banking, Gold Reserve, and Silver Purchase Acts, 1936", are hereby reappointed without change in position, grade or salary, and without the taking of a new oath of office, the requirement for which is hereby waived, for emergency work for such periods as their services may be required on such work and funds are available therefor, but not to extend beyond June 30, 1937, with salaries payable from the appropriations for "Expenses, Emergency Banking, Gold Reserve, and Silver Purchase Acts, 1937".

O'Reilly, Acting Director Mint.

OK

June 30, 1936.

Contingent Expenses, Office of Director
of the Mint, 1936 - 26502

I M M E D I A T E.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Revalue today June thirtieth without fail at usual rates one hundred thousand fine ounces nationalized silver bullion and two hundred thousand fine ounces newly mined domestic silver bullion and five hundred thousand fine ounces purchase act silver bullion with usual treatment in accounts and usual report procedure for like transactions.

Nellie Taylor Ross
Director Mint

OK

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July 1, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

I am inclosing a copy of a letter addressed by your Mint, under date of April 18, 1936, to the Hays Gold Mining Company, Inc., 1136 Fifth Avenue, New York City, relative to the weighing, sampling, and assaying of a bar, the results of deposit #11570.

Mr. Thomas has left a copy of the letter at this Bureau this morning and we have agreed, at his request, to ask you to reassay this sample if you still have the material on hand. You will probably be able to trace the correspondence more easily by having the inclosed letter.

With the return of this letter please advise the Bureau in the premises.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Tayloe Ross

Director of the Mint.

Inclosure.
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July 2, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

Contracts listed below have been approved and the originals are being retained at the Bureau for forwarding to the General Accounting Office:

No.	Service or Supply	Contractor
T2m-156	Rental and calls	The Bell Telephone Co.
157	Rental	Keystone Telephone Co.
316	Water	City of Philadelphia
317	Police signal service	City of Philadelphia
318	Artificial Gas	The Phila. Gas Works Co.
319	Electric current	Philadelphia Electric Co.
320	Ice	Freedom Ice Co.
322	Laundering towels	Pennsylvania Laundry Co.
323	Hydrogen, Oxygen and Acetylene gasses	Paschall Oxygen Co.
324	Iron Castings	American Engineering Co.

The additional copies received with your letter of June 29 are being returned herewith.

The originals of the letters of acceptance and the originals of the telephone contracts were inadvertently mailed to the contractors directly from this Bureau, without being accompanied by a copy of the proposals. In this instance, carbon copies of the telephone contracts will be forwarded to the General Accounting Office in lieu of the originals.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Taylor Ross

Director of the Mint.

F:d
Enclosures.

July 3, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

Enclosed are five copies of the First Amendment to the Department Circular No. 563, "Regulations Governing Hours of Employment and Overtime Work", which circular was forwarded to you on June 22, 1936.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Taylor Ross

Director of the Mint.

R:d

Enclosures.

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July 3, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

In accordance with the request contained in your letter of June 29th, authority to purchase a floor polishing and scrubbing machine with six extra brushes, granted to you in our letter of June 29th, is amended.

It is understood that after your letter requesting authority to purchase was mailed, the contractor called and stated that the price given on the brushes was incorrect and that it should have been $2.00 each more than was first given, or a total cost of $243.60 less 1% instead of $231.60, as given in your letter. The first price was given on a 13½" machine instead of on the 18" machine you desire.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Tayloe Ross

Director of the Mint.

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July 8, 1936.

Superintendent, United States Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.
" " " " San Francisco, Calif.
" " " " Denver, Colo.
" U. S. Assay Office, New York, N. Y.
Assayer in Charge, U. S. Assay Office, Seattle, Wash.
" " " United States Mint, New Orleans, La.

Gentlemen:

Please be advised that Johnson & Higgins, 40 Wall Street, New York, N. Y., have been awarded the insurance contract on 1937 fiscal year shipments of bullion, coin, and other moneys.

Yours truly,

Nellie Tayloe Ross

F-S

Director of the Mint.

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July 9, 1936.

Salaries, and Expenses Mints and Assay Offices, 1937

Superintendent, U S Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.

Veterans Administration, Dayton, Ohio, approves transfer of George W. Ackerman stop Proceed with regular recommendation.

O'Reelly
Acting Director of the Mint.
OR

July 9, 1936.

Mr. John R. Sinnock,
Engraver,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

My dear Mr. Sinnock:

This letter will be authority for you to proceed to Washington for the purpose of assisting the Civil Service Commission in preparing examination papers for a position in your Department.

While engaged in this service your actual and necessary traveling expenses, and $5.00 per diem in lieu of actual cost of subsistence, will be paid from the appropriation, "Salaries and Expenses, Mints and Assay Offices, 1937."

Very truly yours,

N. M. Oehmann

Acting Director of the Mint.

Approved:

Administrative Assistant
to the Secretary.

O'R:d

July 9, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

Please furnish the Bureau Laboratory with 50 pounds of lead foil in 5 gram strips for use in assaying.

Very truly yours,

N. R. O'Reilly

Director of the Mint.

Q.

July 9, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Enclosed is Signature Card and other papers requested by you to be executed by Mr. Ralph R. Roland covering his signature to official documents as Chief Clerk.

Very truly yours,

Acting Director of the Mint.

Enclosures

MDM

July 9, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of July 3 relative to assay results on a sample of gold for the Hays Gold Mining Company, Inc. of New York City.

A copy of your letter of July 3 has today been sent, without comment, to Mr. Thomas of that company.

Very truly yours,

M. D. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

O'R:d

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O'R/mh

July 11, 1936.

Contingent Expenses, Office of the
Director of the Mint, 1937.

Superintendent, US Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.

Referring to letter Albert E. Kahn, addressed Federal Philadelphia and forwarded here President's Proclamation January thirty-first, nineteen thirty-four fixed fifteen and five twenty-first grains of standard gold as equivalent to one dollar.

O'Reilly

O'Reilly, Acting Director Mint.

July 10, 1936.

Mr. John R. Sinnock,
Engraver, United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

This office is in receipt of a notice of exception from the General Accounting Office regarding Transportation Order T-1,038,906, used by you on your trip to Washington in April in connection with the sculpture for the new Mint at San Francisco.

Will you please furnish us with the time and date of your departure and return on this trip, so that we may give this information to the Accounting Office?

Very truly yours,

Acting Director of the Mint.

P:d F

July 13, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

A communication has been received from the U. S. Civil Service Commission citing certain transactions between the District Managers of the various Civil Service Districts and the Superintendents of the Mint institutions in which the Commission feels that it has not received the proper cooperation. An excerpt from this letter which pertains to you is quoted below:

"Several guards on the emergency roll at the Philadelphia Mint were given authorized temporary appointments under civil service prior to November, 1935. An examination was announced at the request of the Director of the Mint, and special consideration was given by this office to physical and other qualifications counted necessary for guard positions at the Mint. An entirely new eligible register was established in February, 1936, and certification was made to the Superintendent. One selection, that of a female eligible, was reported, but the certificate was returned to the District Manager at Philadelphia without further selection, and the temporary guards were returned to the emergency roll whence they came."

The Bureau will be glad to receive any reply which you wish to make in regard to the above in order that we may make suitable response to the Commission.

The Commission also requests to be advised at the earliest practicable date just what positions bearing the aspect of permanency but at present occupied by employees outside of civil service and on emergency rolls, are to be authorized as regular ones and those for which examinations should be announced.

Very truly yours,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

MDM

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July 13, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

Enclosed is a Form 375 to be executed by Mr. John C.Riggin, Helper employed in your institution, who has been recommended for transfer to the position of Pressman at $6.56 per diem.

Very truly yours,

M. M. Rawlings

Acting Director of the Mint.

Enclosure

MDM

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July 14, 1936

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Director of the Mint, 1937 - 27502

Superintendent, United States Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.
Superintendent, United States Mint, San Francisco, Calif.
Superintendent, United States Mint, Denver, Colo.
Superintendent, U. S. Assay Office, New York, N. Y.
Assayer in Charge, U. S. Assay Office, Seattle, Wash.
Assayer in Charge, United States Mint, New Orleans, La.

Please forward at earliest practicable date and not later than July twentieth your estimates of appropriation needs for fiscal year nineteen thirty eight with estimated expenses of nineteen thirty seven and actual expenses of nineteen thirty six on the usual symbol classification basis and with such supplemental detail and explanation as will justify the submitted figures.

M. M. O'Reilly,
Acting Director

Via Government Facilities

July 14, 1936.

Salaries and Expenses, Mints and
Assay Offices, 1937

Superintendent, U S Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.

Your recommendations of July thirteenth naming Joseph Prendergast, Gladys Stewart, Miles O. Bressler and others for emergency appointments approved today.

O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

July 14, 1936

Contingent Expenses, Office of
Director of the Mint, 1937 - 27502

Superintendent, United States Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.
Superintendent, United States Mint, San Francisco, Calif.
Superintendent, United States Mint, Denver, Colo.
Superintendent, U. S. Assay Office, New York, N. Y.
Assayer in Charge, U. S. Assay Office, Seattle, Wash.
Assayer in Charge, United States Mint, New Orleans, La.

All papers that comma per directions contained in General Accounting Office General Regulations eighty seven of nineteen thirty six comma dated June twenty fifth nineteen thirty six are required to be forwarded to the General Accounting Office comma Accounting and Bookkeeping Division comma will be forwarded to the Mint Bureau with an additional legible copy of the pertinent schedule comma for consideration and transmission by the Bureau to the General Accounting Office.

M. M. O'Reilly,
Acting Director

July 14, 1936

Contingent Expenses, Office of
Director of the Mint, 1937 - 27502

Superintendent, United States Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.
Superintendent, United States Mint, San Francisco, Calif.
Superintendent, United States Mint, Denver, Colo.
Superintendent, U. S. Assay Office, New York, N. Y.
Assayer in Charge, U. S. Assay Office, Seattle, Wash.
Assayer in Charge, United States Mint, New Orleans, La.

Until further directed by this office you will continue to use the old series of symbol numbers for both appropriations and revenues instead of those recently prescribed by the Comptroller Generals communication stop This contemplates changing the year figure parenthesis second from left parenthesis from six to seven in the appropriation symbols.

M. M. O'Reilly,
Acting Director

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July 14, 1936.

Hon. Edwin H. Dressel,
Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Mr. Dressel:

As you are aware, Mrs. Ross is very anxious to place Miss Richardson, Mr. Chaffin's niece. She has wired me from Fort Knox, asking if you can place her in the Mint at Philadelphia. If you can do this will you please forward a recommendation for her appointment.

I am without information as to whether Miss Richardson has civil service standing. However, it may be possible for you to place her on the Emergency Banking Roll. I am sure Mrs. Ross will be very gratified if you can do this.

Very truly yours,

N. M. Reed

Acting Director of the Mint.

C°R/eh

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July 14, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

This letter will confirm telephone authority for you to accept from the Scovill Manufacturing Company 100,000 pounds of nickel blanks at 49¼¢ per pound, with the option of purchasing an additional 100,000 pounds at the same rate.

Very truly yours,

M. D. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

O'R/eh

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July 15, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

Your order of July 9, 1936, addressed to the Procurement Division for a supply of new forms prescribed by General Accounting Office Regulations No. 87, has just been received by the Bureau from the Procurement Division.

While the order carries the indication "Through the office of the Director of the Mint" it was addressed to the Procurement Division and placed in a window envelope, so that it went direct to the Procurement Division.

All your orders for forms, printing, stationery, etc., should be addressed direct to the Director of the Mint instead of other Government agencies.

Yours truly,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

F-S

RG104 E-235 Vol 491

July 15, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

Please be advised that contract No. Tlm-1 has been assigned to the contract with The Howard P. Foley Co., for installing additions and making alterations for protective work in the Philadelphia Mint, in the sum of $51,098.00. Any vouchers or correspondence pertaining to this contract should carry this contract number.

Yours truly,

F-S

Acting Director of the Mint.

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July 15, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Enclosed is a letter from Senator David I. Walsh in behalf of Mr. Norman Burnett of Lynn, Massachusetts, who, Senator Walsh states, has made application for a position in the Philadelphia Mint. Inasmuch as this application has not been received in this Bureau, it is presumed that Mr. Burnett addressed it to you. It is therefore requested that you make the proper reply to Senator Walsh's communication.

Very truly yours,

M. D. O'Neil

Acting Director of the Mint.

Enclosure

MDM

July 15, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

There is forwarded to you today, under separate cover, by insured registered mail the following;

Standard silver scrap	178.925	ounces.
1 fine silver bar	57.35	"
1 " " "	21.25	"
1 " " "	20.04	"

Of this metal the following should be credited to the standard silver dollar and subsidiary accounts respectively:

Standard silver dollar	18.906	ounces.
" " " value $22.00		
Subsidiary value $503.60	244.018	"

The following accounts should be credited to San Francisco, Denver and Philadelphia, being the values resulting from special assay coins forwarded to the Bureau up to and including May 31, 1936.

	San Francisco.	Denver.	Philadelphia.
S.S.Dollars			$22.00
Subsidiary	$98.20	$60.00	$145.40

Please notify the mints at San Francisco and Denver when these entries have been completed and forward any silver balance to the Bureau in the form of inquartation discs.

Very truly yours,

N. M. Reed

Q.

Acting Director of the Mint.

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July 15, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

In accordance with the recommendation contained in your letter of July 14th, you are authorized to purchase 800 pounds of asbestos cloth, 40" wide, weighing 2¼ pounds per yard, from the Johns-Manville Sales Corporation, at the rate of $0.27½ per pound less 2% 10th proximo.

It is understood that the above bid was the lower of two received of three invited.

It is further understood that this material is to be used in the manufacture of fire mitts, sleeves, etc., for the protection of Mint employees working in the melting room.

Very truly yours,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

O'R/eh

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July 16, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

This letter will confirm telephone communication of yesterday, requesting that you send to the Mint at San Francisco ten obverse nickel dies, six large nickel collars and six small nickel collars.

Very truly yours,

N. D. Rivell

Acting Director of the Mint.

O'R/eh

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July 16, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

There is being forwarded you today, under separate cover, by insured registered mail, 10.00 ounces of fine gold cornets.

In exchange please furnish the Bureau with the equivalent in proof gold.

Very truly yours,

M. M. O'Reealy

Acting Director of the Mint.

Q.

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July 16, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

The following pertains to your accounts for the month of May.

Voucher No. 30306 (Mint No. 1225), in favor of Frankford Arsenal; please forward extra copy of voucher to accompany original as this is a payment to another government department.

Voucher No. 30308 (Mint No. 1227). Statement and Certificate of Award with this voucher is returned for correction as to award and for justification of non-acceptance of the low bid.

Voucher No. 32192, Bullion Fund, (Mint No. 1285) for loss on sale of sweeps, $2,099.14. This voucher evidences a disbursement by the Disbursing Office on May 26th, which should have been immediately taken up in your bullion accounts as a receipt since its omission leaves that much Government money unaccounted for, though on hand. It was not taken into account until June 11, per the Cashier's daily report, at the same time the proceeds of the sale of the sweeps were presumably received from the purchaser under contract T2m-310. It is suggested that effort be made in future to get simultaneous action on such transactions by having ready a voucher for reimbursement of the sweeps-sale loss and presenting it to the Disbursing Office on the same day that collection is received from the sweeps-purchaser, with request that the Disbursing Office co-operate by making immediate payment of the voucher. If this cannot be done it will be necessary to take funds of this kind into a Special Deposit account, to be held until they can properly be disposed of. The contract number should have been noted in the body of the voucher, merely for reference purposes, instead of in the space above, because this contract calls for a collection, not a disbursement. We apparently have not received this contract, numbered T2m-310; please forward it, and in future forward each contract as soon as the agreement is made instead of waiting until its terms have been complied with.

Deposit certificate No. 12632 is returned for signature of Superintendent, in certificate as to delivery of cash by registered mail.

Please forward vouchers to support the quantities of metal taken into account as received for manufacture of coin for El Salvador.

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Please show separately, in future, on the bullion account current, bullion received as fines and forfeitures under the gold reserve act.

Yours truly,

M. M. O'Reilly

P-F-S
Encls.

Acting Director of the Mint.

O'R/eh

Via Government Facilities

July 16, 1936.

Salaries and Expenses, Mints and
Assay Offices, 1937.

Superintendent, U. S. Assay Office, 32 Old Slip, New York, N. Y.,
Superintendent, U. S. Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.,
Superintendent, U. S. Mint, Denver, Colo.

Director desires that names of responsible weighers and checkers/who might be sent be submitted to the Bureau sent to Fort Knox if necessary for temporary duty during major movement of gold from Philadelphia and New York STOP Will you please forward these names as soon as convenient.

O'Reilly

O'Reilly, Acting Director Mint.

July 17, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your reports of deposits and purchases of gold and silver for the six-month period ended June 30, 1936. On form 61-A the domestic gold coin from Treasury and Federal Reserve Banks is less than the amount the accounts show, by $1,097.37. Form 474-A agrees with form 61-A and is therefore also apparently short.

Form 474-A states that $1,262.61 of the gold coin transferred from the Treasury and Federal Reserve Banks was foreign coin. Can you advise the Bureau as to the nationalities (with quantities) of this coin?

Apparently the silver reported on form 61-A under "Surplus bullion (Mint recoveries)" should have been reduced to the net surplus, and silver purchase act silver reduced by the amount of adjustments charged back to the Federal Reserve Bank. Information explaining these items is requested.

It is suggested that in future the reports be checked with the accounts prior to being forwarded.

Yours truly,

N. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

H-T-S

RG104 E-235 Vol 491

July 18, 1936.

Contingent Expenses, Office of
Director of the Mint, 1937 - 27502

Superintendent, United States Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.
Superintendent, United States Mint, San Francisco, Calif.

Your report of emergency appropriation obligations created first half July not received stop Please expedite.

M. M. O'Reilly,
Director Mint.

July 18, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

Enclosed is a copy of a communication received from the Chief Examiner of the U. S. Civil Service Commission in regard to the recent appointments made from Certificate No. 22787, on which the names of several veterans were passed over, for your information.

Very truly yours,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

Enclosure

MDM

July 18, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

Enclosed is "Notice of Retirement from Service" for Mr. Thomas W. Conville whose retirement has been approved effective June 30, 1936.

Please have Mr. Conville sign the receipt at the bottom of this notice and return it to this office.

Very truly yours,

M. M. Riley

Acting Director of the Mint.

Enclosure

MDM

July 20, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of July 18th with enclosures pertaining to your accounts for the month of May.

As regards sweeps-sale data, in this case both the bid and acceptance cover all of the several lots of sweeps, so that there appears no reason for assigning more than one contract number to the agreement. It is therefore suggested that only one contract number be used for this agreement and that the other two numbers mentioned in your letter be either entirely cancelled or assigned to some other agreements. Please advise the Bureau your intentions with regard to this. Also please forward to support this contract an executed Statement and Certificate of Award.

Will you also please forward to support your June accounts an "Account Sales" covering these sweeps, supported by the regular mint forms covering assayer's certificate of assays, weights, computations, etc.

Yours truly,

M. M. O'Reilly

F-S

Acting Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 491

July 20, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

Please refer to Bureau's telegram of July 14th relative to General Accounting Office Regulations No. 87. The papers mentioned in Bureau telegram are not being received in this office, although collections are being received, as shown on your Cashier's daily statement, and certificates of deposit are being issued.

As indicated in the telegram it is the wish of the Bureau that the papers directed to be sent to the General Accounting Office be forwarded to the Bureau for consideration, together with an extra copy of each schedule, prior to their being forwarded to the General Accounting Office. Please make this procedure effective without further delay.

Yours truly,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

F-S

RG104 E-235 Vol 491

July 21, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

In accordance with the recommendation contained in your letter of July 20th, you are authorized to purchase 50 dozen pairs of reversible buck mittens from M. Segal and Sons at the rate of $8.65 per dozen pairs net.

It is understood that two other bids were received, one of which was lower than the one accepted. However, on procuring a sample of their glove it was found to be of a greatly inferior grade and entirely impractical for your use.

It is further understood that these gloves are used by the workmen in handling precious metals and when they become too much worn for further use, are burned to recover whatever metals may be adhering to them.

Very truly yours,

D. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

O'R/eh

RG104 E-235 Vol 491

July 22, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

In accordance with the recommendation contained in your letter of July 21st, you are authorized to purchase from Nathan Trotter & Company, for use in minor coinage, 12,000 pounds of electrolytic zinc, at the rate of $0.06075 per pound; and 4,000 pounds of Straits tin, at the rate of $0.4525 per pound.

It is understood that in the case of the zinc, this is the lower of two bids received of four asked, while on the tin it is the only bid received of four asked.

Very truly yours,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

O'R/eh

RG104 E-235 Vol 491

July 23, 1936.

The Pennsylvania RR Co.,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sirs:

I am enclosing for redemption unused portion of your ticket No. A-34137 procurred by the late Mr. F. H. Chaffin, former Chief Clerk and Assistant Superintendent of the United States Mint at Philadelphia, Pa., on government transportation request No. T-1,038,939. Mr. Chaffin died enroute and his body was removed from the train at Ogden, Utah.

This ticket is for round trip transportation from Philadelphia to San Francisco and inasmuch as it was only used from Philadelphia to Ogden reimbursement is requested for the balance. Please render bill for the service represented by the transportation request in the amount chargeable for the service actually rendered, or make check in reimbursement for unused portion of ticket payable to the Director of the Mint, Treasury Department, Washington, D.C.

Very truly yours,

Th. D. O'Reely

Acting Director of the Mint.

P F

RG104 E-235 Vol 491

July 23, 1936.
July 22, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

It is understood that the dies for the York County Tercentenary commemorative coin have been delivered to your Mint by Mr. Nichols. The designs have been passed by the Commission of Fine Arts and were approved by the Secretary of the Treasury under date of July 17th.

The Secretary of the Commission requests that the first 100 coins be put in individual envelopes and numbered and if you will cause this to be done the Bureau will appreciate it.

It is understood that the York County Tercentenary Commemorative Coin Commission is to deposit in the Federal Reserve Bank at Philadelphia $15,000 in payment for the coins and $300 to cover the cost of the master dies.

Very truly yours,

Acting Director of the Mint.

O'R/eh

July 23, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

This Bureau is today in receipt of verbal information from the State Department that the Government of Nicaragua, through its Minister at Washington, has accepted the terms set forth in our letter of June 26th covering the cost of manufacturing certain coinage for Nicaragua. This letter will be authority for you to proceed with the execution of this coinage as soon as possible.

It is understood that the amount of silver set forth in the letter received by you from the Banco Nacional De Nicaragua is not consistent with the amount required in our letter of June 26th, following your statement of June 17th. Our letter called for 32,150 ounces and the letter from the Banco Nacional De Nicaragua states that they are forwarding to you 25 bars with a total weight of 26,569.07 ounces. Will you please advise the Bank of this discrepancy.

Very truly yours,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

O'R/ah

RG104 E-235 Vol 491

July 24, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your inquiry relative to the changes to be made in the die for the York County commemorative half dollar, the following changes were approved by the Secretary of the Treasury:

Re the date "1636" appearing in two places on the obverse of the design - it was agreed to have one date removed, that over the shield.

It was also understood that minor imperfections in the lettering be brought to perfection.

No other changes were agreed upon.

The above changes were suggested by the Commission of Fine Arts.

Very truly yours,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

O'R/eh

RG104 E-235 Vol 491

July 24, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

Please furnish the Bureau Laboratory with twelve copper slabs approximately 4 feet long, 3 to 4 inches wide and ¼ inch thickness.

They are to be used in reducing silver from waste photographic solutions and need not be finished to any exact measurements. Please do not furnish brass or bronze.

Very truly yours,

Acting Director of the Mint.

Q.

RG104 E-235 Vol 491

July 25, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

Mr. Von Bernewitz, a member of the staff of the Bureau of Mines, is writing an article on metallurgy. I understand this article is to be published by McGraw-Hill. Mr. Von Bernewitz has asked if we would provide him with a photograph of the pouring of metal into the moulds or releasing the metal from the moulds or any other pertinent illustration which might be used for his article. He is particularly and only interested in the actual operation on molten metal.

If you have such photographs will you please send copies or the negatives to the Bureau. If you send negatives we will return them to you when prints are made.

Very truly yours,

D. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

O'R/eh

RG104 E-235 Vol 491

July 25, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

The Bureau is today in receipt of sample dises to be used as suggestions for developing medals. The Bureau is very appreciative of the trouble the Mint has taken in providing these sample discs.

Very truly yours,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

O'R/sh

July 27, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

This will confirm authority given over the telephone this morning for you to sell minor coinage metal required for the coinage for the Government of Nicaragua from your stock, at the rates paid for the last of such metals purchased by you, if this arrangement is satisfactory to the agent of the Government of Nicaragua.

Very truly yours,

Acting Director of the Mint.

O'R/eh

RG104 E-235 Vol 491

July 27, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

With reference to your letter of July 22, 1936, pertaining to undistributed bronze medals, made for the Chicago World's Fair Centennial Celebration, it is requested that you prepare a voucher for purchase of same, drawing your check against the Minor Coinage Metal Fund and deposit the proceeds into the Treasury as miscellaneous receipts to the credit of the account "Proceeds Sale of Government Property (stores), 5190." The metal in medals may be used for manufacture of bronze coin and may be purchased at the price indicated in the above mentioned letter.

Yours truly,

Jno. H. O'Reilly

F-S

Acting Director of the Mint.

July 27, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

Herewith please find two notices of exception of the General Accounting Office, which evidently pertain to transactions of the Philadelphia Mint. Will you please supply the information required by the General Accounting Office.

Yours truly,

Acting Director of the Mint.

F-S
Encls.

July 27, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

For future guidance, there is forwarded herewith a copy of form 901-A "Coining Department Recoveries and Wastages" for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1936, with the figures that were submitted for gold and silver slightly amended to indicate the manner of preparing same.

Yours truly,

Acting Director of the Mint.

F-S
Encl.

Via Government Facilities

m July 28, 1936.

Salaries and Expenses, Mints and
Assay Offices, 1937.

Superintendent, U S Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.

Retel July twenty eight temporary appointment of Jones and Grau approved stop Transfer of George W Ackerman will have to clear Commission here stop Have requested that it be expedited.

Acting Director of the Mint.

July 28, 1936.

Superintendent, United States Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.
" " " " San Francisco, Calif.
" " " " Denver, Colo.
" U. S. Assay Office, New York, N. Y.
Assayer in Charge, U. S. Assay Office, Seattle, Wash.
" " " United States Mint, New Orleans, La.

Gentlemen:

Herewith please find additional list of certain corporations, dated July 25, 1936, received from the office of the Assistant General Counsel of the Bureau of Internal Revenue. Please forward to this office your answer stating whether or not your institution has any claims against any of the listed concerns.

Yours truly,

F-S

Acting Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 491

July 28, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

Thank you very much for your courtesy in forwarding so promptly negatives of a photograph showing the pouring of metals into the moulds, and also a slide for the use of Mr. Von Bernewitz of the Bureau of Mines.

Mr. Von Bernewitz will be requested to return the negatives as soon as he has finished with them, together with the slide.

Very truly yours,

M M O'Reel

Acting Director of the Mint.

O'R/eh

RG104 E-235 Vol 491

July 29, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of July 28th. It is not necessary for you to obtain authorization from the Bureau for the purchase of cream of tartar.

Very truly yours,

N. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

O'R/eh

RG104 E-235 Vol 491

July 29, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

In accordance with the recommendation contained in your letter of July 25th, you are authorized to accept the proposal received from Richard Evans & Sons, Inc., to furnish 25 dozen pairs of buckskin gloves at the rate of $7.50 per dozen pairs; also the proposal received from M. Segal & Sons to furnish 50 dozen pairs of horsehide gloves at the rate of $5.20 per dozen pairs; these being the lowest of two bids received.

It is understood that these gloves are used in the handling of precious metals and when they become worn out, are burned up to recover whatever may be adhering to them.

Very truly yours,

H. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

G.W./eh

July 30, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

In accordance with the recommendation contained in your letter of July 29th, you are authorized to purchase 1,000 pounds of woolen blanket pieces, for use in lining fire mitts used in handling hot metal ingots in the melting room, from Dreifus & Company, Inc., at the rate of 20¢ per pound, net.

It is understood that the above bid was the only one received of three asked.

Very truly yours,

Acting Director of the Mint.

O"F/eh

RG104 E-235 Vol 491

July 30, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

In accordance with the recommendation contained in your letter of July 29th, you are authorized to purchase from the Ross-Tacony Crucible Company 300 graphite covers for your #70 crucibles, at the rate of $1.75 each, less 1% 10 days.

It is understood that three identical bids were received and the above award was made by drawing lots.

Very truly yours,

Acting Director of the Mint.

O'R/eh

RG104 E-235 Vol 491

July 30, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

Will you please advise the Bureau if you have any record of the position of the mint marks on the 1917 half dollars which were prepared for San Francisco and Denver. A correspondent suggests that there were mint marks on the obverse and in some cases on the reverse of these coins.

This inquiry is not important enough to cause you to spend any special amount of time in seeking a reply. If the information is readily available it will be appreciated if you will send it to the Bureau. Please return the inclosure received by the Bureau from the correspondent relative to the above inquiry.

Very truly yours,

Acting Director of the Mint.

Inclosure.
O'R/eh

July 30, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

This letter will confirm telephone communication authorizing you to send to San Francisco ten pairs of one-cent dies and six small one-cent collars.

Very truly yours,

Acting Director of the Mint.

O'M/mh

RG104 E-235 Vol 491

July 30, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

I am inclosing a check for two thousand dollars, forwarded to this Bureau through the State Department from the Chinese Ambassador as a deposit for defraying the necessary expenses in the manufacture and shipment of dies for Chinese coins.

Very truly yours,

Acting Director of the Mint.

Inclosure.
(Check - $2,000)
O'K/eh

RG104 E-235 Vol 491

Via Government Facilities

July 31, 1936.

Salaries and Expenses, Mints and
Assay Offices, 1937.

Superintendent, U S Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.

Transfer of George W Ackerman approved today stop Suggest that he take oath of office tomorrow.

Acting Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 491

July 31, 1936.

Contingent Expenses, Office of
Director of the Mint, 1937 - 27502

I M M E D I A T E

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Revalue today July thirty first without fail at usual rates six hundred thousand fine ounces purchase act silver bullion and one hundred thousand fine ounces newly mined domestic silver bullion with usual treatment in accounts and usual report procedure for like transactions.

M. M. O'Reilly,
Acting Director

RG104 E-235 Vol 491

August 1, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

In accordance with the recommendation contained in your letter of July 25th, you are authorized to purchase 30,000 pounds of cathode copper 99.95% pure, cut into slabs of approximately 6"x12", from the American Smelting & Refining Company, at the rate of $0.0974 per pound.

It is understood that the above bid was the lower of two received of four asked.

Very truly yours,

Acting Director of the Mint.

O'R/eh

August 1, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

In response to the recommendation contained in your letter of July 31st, you are authorized to purchase from R. A. Humphrys' Sons, Inc., 2,000 yards of twill, O. D. 36" wide, at the rate of $0.18 per yard, net, this being the only bid received of four asked.

It is understood that release for the purchase of this material was obtained from the Department of Justice under date of July 27, 1936.

Very truly yours,

Acting Director of the Mint.

O'R/eh

RG104 E-235 Vol 491

Via Government Facilities

August 3, 1936.

Salaries and Expenses, Mints and
Assay Offices, 1937.

Superintendent, U S Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.

Four classified laborers recommended in your letter of July twenty eight approved.

Acting Director of the Mint.

August 4, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of August 3rd, enclosing oath of office executed by George W. Ackerman.

Will you please have Mr. Ackerman fill out a personal history statement and forward it to this office in order that a request may be made for a record of his past Government service.

Very truly yours,

N. M. Reed

Acting Director of the Mint.

MDM

August 5, 1936.

Superintendent, U. S. Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.,
Superintendent, U. S. Mint, San Francisco, Calif.,
Superintendent, U. S. Mint, Denver, Colo.,
Superintendent, U. S. Assay Office, New York, N. Y.

Dear Sir:

In connection with a circular dated June 30, 1936, from the Acting Director of the Bureau of the Budget, this Bureau is inclosing a questionnaire covering each of the buildings in the Mint Service, with the request that you fill in the County in which your building is located, together with answers to questions 7, 10, 11, 13, 14, 15 and 16 in the accompanying blank.

The Office Manager and Treasury Representative of Real Estate Survey states that it is desired to make the compilation at the earliest possible date and it will be appreciated if you will return these blanks, duly filled out, as promptly as practicable.

Very truly yours,

Acting Director of the Mint.

Inclosure.
C:E/eh

RG104 E-235 Vol 491

August 5, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

This letter will confirm telephone communication authorizing you to accept the proposal of the American Smelting and Refining Company, to supply 200 lbs. of ingot copper for minor coinage, at the rate of $0.0979 per pound.

It is understood that the above bid was the lowest received of three invited.

Very truly yours,

H. N. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

O'R/eh

RG104 E-235 Vol 491

August 5, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

The Secretary of the Treasury has approved the design for the Lynchburg coin, which was prepared by Mr. Charles Keck. Mr. Keck has been requested to forward the models to the Mint.

Very truly yours,

D. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

O'R/eh

RG104 E-235 Vol 491

August 5, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

The Secretary of the Treasury has approved the designs for the Bridgeport Centennial commemorative half dollar and the models are being forwarded to you from this Bureau today.

The design was executed by Mr. Henry Kreis.

Very truly yours,

N M O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

O'R/eh

RG104 E-235 Vol 491

August 4, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

This letter will be authority for you to purchase from the Corundite Refractories, Inc., 200 sets of fire brick segments, 200 sets of fire brick letter A, 3 of letter C-1 and 3 of letter C-2, at a total cost of $314.45 less 1% ten days, f.o.b. Massillon, Ohio.

It is understood that by sending a Government bill of lading the order for the materials will be placed at the amount stated above, which is the lowest bid received.

Very truly yours,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

O'R/eh

RG104 E-235 Vol 491

August 5, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

Please be advised that the Division of Printing has promised delivery of the two books Mint Form 968, Medal Account, on August 13th.

Yours truly,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

F-S

Via Government Facilities

August 6, 1936.

Salaries and Expenses, Mints and Assay Offices, 1937.

Superintendent, U S Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.

Temporary appointment of six sewing women and probational appointment of Thomas P Grosdy approved.

Acting Director of the Mint.

August 6, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

This letter will confirm telephone communication of August 5th, authorizing you to accept the proposal of the American Smelting & Refining Company to furnish your Mint with 200,000 pounds of electrolytic ingot copper, for minor coinage, at the rate of $0.0979 per pound.

It is understood that the above bid was the lowest of three received of four asked.

Very truly yours,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

O'R/ab

RG104 E-235 Vol 491

Via Government Facilities

August 7, 1936.

Salaries and Expenses, Mints and
Assay Offices, 1937.

Superintendent, U S Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.

Appointment of Parella and Weeney as helpers on the emergency roll approved.

Acting Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 491

August 7, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

Enclosed are 750 copies of the "Time and Leave Regulations, Field Forces," dated July 27, 1936, for distribution to all of your employees.

Very truly yours,

N. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

Enclosures

MDM

RG104 E-235 Vol 491

August 7, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

Under date of July 1, this office recommended that the transfer to the emergency roll of six temporary melters, whose appointments expired on the 5th and 6th of July, be cancelled because the Civil Service Commission had authorized the continuance of their temporary appointment pending the establishment of an eligible register. This office has no record of having received a recommendation continuing their temporary appointments. Therefore, it will be appreciated if you will forward such a recommendation through the District Manager, in order that the records in this case may be completed.

It has been requested by the Appointment Division of this Department that you indicate on the oath of office form whether an appointee is on the emergency or regular roll for the purpose of facilitating the location of his record.

Very truly yours,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

MDM

August 7, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

Enclosed is a letter from the International Service Corporation requesting the last known home address of Mr. Chester W. Ziegler. It is requested that you reply to this letter, inasmuch as this office has no record of the addresses of the field employees.

Very truly yours,

Th. B. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

Enclosure

MDM

RG104 E-235 Vol 491

August 8, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of August 5th, inclosing a sample of a parcel label and requesting information relative to the purchase of such labels.

These labels are of the type of work done by the Government Printing Office and it would, therefore, not be permissable to purchase them from outside concerns. The Bureau has made requisition for these labels.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Taylor Ross

Director of the Mint.

Via Government Facilities

August 10, 1936.

Salaries and Expenses, Mints and
Assay Offices, 1937.

Superintendent, U S Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.

Temporary appointment of Cautilli, Fagan, Mariano and Spino as sewing women approved stop Name of Tobin removed from recommendation received here.

Nellie Tayloe Ross
Director of the Mint.

O'R/eh

Via Government Facilities

August 10, 1936.

Salaries and Expenses, Mints and
Assay Offices, 1937.

Superintendent, US Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.

Please forward twenty pairs half dollar dies to the Mint at Denver.

N. T. R

Nellie Tayloe Ross,
Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 491

August 10, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

We are returning to you voucher for express charges on 102,926.53 ounces of silver shipped from the St. Joseph Lead Company of Herculaneum, Missouri, which voucher had been forwarded by you to the Chief Clerk of the Treasury Department for payment from the appropriation "Expenses, Emergency Banking, Gold Reserve, and Silver Purchase Acts, 1936".

The amount of the voucher, $278.95, does not agree with the express receipt supporting it, which calls for $334.29. We presume that only part of the silver covered by the express receipt was Nationalized silver, and that the rest was received as Executive Proclamation silver, but, in order that the voucher may be placed in line for payment, we will appreciate receiving from you at your earliest convenience a detailed explanation of the discrepancy.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Taylor Ross

Director of the Mint.

F:D

Enclosure.

Via Government Facilities

August 11, 1936.

Salaries and Expenses, Mints and Assay Offices, 1937.

Superintendent, U S Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.

Will you please forward monthly report of overtime work as soon after the end of the month as possible.

Director of the Mint.

O'R/eh

Via Government Facilities

August 11, 1936.

Salaries and Expenses, Mints and Assay Offices, 1937.

Superintendent, US Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.

Please send to San Francisco as soon as possible ten pair nickel dies ten pair cent dies twelve half dollar collars.

Nellie Tayloe Ross,
Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 491

Via Government Facilities

August 14, 1936

Salaries and Expenses, Mints and
Assay Offices, 1937.

Superintendent, U S Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.

Temporary appointments of Williamson Sewer and Foulkrod Roller approved.

Acting Director of the Mint.

August 14, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

On August 20, 1936, please make the following book transfers of silver for the purpose of supplying the Philadelphia Mint with nationalized silver bullion available for coining into subsidiary silver coin:

Transfer to the New York Assay Office 5,500,000 ounces Purchase Act silver bullion at 65 cents per ounce (your approximate average cost thereof), total value $3,575,000.00

Transfer from New York Assay Office 5,500,000 ounces Nationalized silver bullion at $0.50010505, total cost $2,750,577.77.

The New York Assay Office will make contra transfers in their accounts on the same date. No bullion will be physically shipped and the total Mint Service holdings of each class of bullion will remain unchanged.

Copy of this letter is being forwarded to the New York Assay office for their information and action.

Yours truly,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

F-S

O'R/eh

Via Government Facilities

August 15, 1936.

Salaries and Expenses, Mints and
Assay Offices, 1937.

Superintendent, US Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.

War Department advises Bureau of Insular Affairs agrees to bearings being shipped to Philippine Mint without tap holes drilled.

M.M.O'Reilly, Acting Director Mint.

August 15, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

There is being forwarded to you to-day, by registered mail, a fine silver bar weighing 37.11 troy ounces.

In exchange please furnish the Bureau with the equivalent in 500 milligram discs.

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint.

Q.

August 15, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

This letter will be authority for you to proceed with the coinage of 20 million peso pieces requested by the Cuban Government under date of August 11th.

It is understood that the coinage charge for this coinage will be at the rate of $11.00 per thousand pieces and this includes the cost of copper for alloy. The charge for boxes will be additional.

It is further understood that the silver for this coinage is to be delivered to the Mint from time to time in such quantities as the storage facilities at the Mint in Philadelphia will permit.

Very truly yours,

D. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

O'R/eh

RG104 E-235 Vol 491

August 15, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letters of August 5th and 6th, relative to guns and ammunition needed at the Mint.

Requisition was made on the Procurement Division, under date of August 13th, to furnish you with the articles listed in your letters.

It will be necessary to obtain a receipt from the Raritan Arsenal for the 10 holsters in order that proper credit may be given.

Very truly yours,

Acting Director of the Mint.

O'R/eh

August 15, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

In reply to your letter of August 13th relative to the procuring of Bureau's authority for the purchase of supplies for your institution, please be advised that such authority is not required for the purchase of routine supplies in moderate quantities. However, proposed purchase of large quantities of any item, or of equipment other than small tools, etc., should be referred, with justification, for advance authorization by the Bureau.

No fixed limitation, of either quantity or value, can be given in this connection, since a limitation proper for one item might be wholly unreasonable for another.

Yours truly,

N M Oakley

F-S

Acting Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 491

August 17, 1936.

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

On the June bullion abstract, deposit #N439, the handling charge of 3¢ is in the P.R. column and the P.& R. charge of $12.02 is in the handling charge column. Please make adjustment in your August accounts, showing the same following the totals of the August bullion abstract recapitulation.

It is noted that apparently no charge is being made for the silver in medals sold (form 373), nor do the bullion accounts current show use of silver in medals. Please advise of the method being used for providing silver for use in medals.

Payroll voucher No. 3 34814 is returned for the Superintendent's certification.

Statement and Certificate of award pertaining to voucher No. 3 32862, The Philip Carey Co., is returned for completion as to the forms of award and advertising.

Please forward copies of the Bureau's advance authority for purchases of equipment, etc., per vouchers 3 33707, 33708, 33712, and 33715.

A discount of 1%, 32 ¢, was not taken on voucher # 334819, Metalweld, Inc.

Immediate return of the enclosures is requested, as the account is due for forwarding.

Respectfully,

Acting Director of the Mint.

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Via Government Facilities

August 18, 1936

Salaries and Expenses, Mints and Assay
Offices, 1937.

Superintendent
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Please wire Bureau amount including freight for which you could supply San Francisco Mint with twenty thousand sacks for minor coinage

NELLIE TAYLOE ROSS
Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 491

August 19, 1936.

Salaries ~~kkkkkkkk~~ and Expenses,
Mints and Assay Office, 1937.

Superintendent, U. S. Mint, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

You are authorized to proceed with coinage of the Columbia commemorative fifty cent pieces.

Nellie Tayloe Ross

Director of the Mint

August 19, 1936.

Salaries and Expenses, Mints and
Assay Offices, 1937.

Superintendent, U. S. Mint, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Brass bearings for Phillipines must go express.

Nellie Tayloe Ross

Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 491

August 19, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

I am enclosing a letter received from the Executive Secretary of the National Academy of Sciences, requesting the preparation of certain medals, the dies for which you have at the Mint.

As you will notice, the name Ernest William Brown will cover an appreciable space, and the Secretary of the National Academy of Sciences requests your advice as to the expediency of using Ernest W. Brown instead of spelling out the full middle name, if there is not room enough on the medal. Please report to the Executive Secretary on this question before preparing the Medal, in order that your suggestions may correspond with his wishes.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Tayloe Ross

Director of the Mint.

Enclosure.

RG104 E-235 Vol 491

August 19, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

The following is a quotation from a letter received today from Mr. Van Horne in reference to the trucks being built by you for Fort Knox:

"In looking over the depository today I saw the elevator car in the vault for the first time in light and the depth of the car seemed rather shallow. Mr. Shorrock took a measurement and found it to be 64 inches. The thought occurred to me that possibly the Philadelphia Mint had not been advised as to the maximum space the trucks being manufactured for us would have to fit into and I thought it advisable to call it to your attention that you might advise them that these trucks should not be over five feet in length in the clear. That is, we should have four inches of space over the entire length that one of these trucks would occupy including the distance that the fixed part of the tongue extends beyond the forward part of the platform, as a clearance."

It is hoped by the Bureau that these measurements are not inconsistent with the trucks already built.

Mr. Van Horne also states that "In regard to the pump trucks we should have three of these. During the big movement the Postoffice will have three here and we will be able to use them in addition to our own and we will use ours to assist in the unloading". We have received from the Post Office Department a copy of the specifications for their lift trucks which they are now having made. It is understood that Mr. Van Horne will need a certain number of lift trucks at the Depository and it might be an advantage to you to prepare the same type of trucks ordered by the Post Office Department.

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Superintendent,
U.S. Mint, Phila.

August 19, 1936

The following is an excerpt from the letter addressed to the Bureau by Mr. J. S. Vick, Jr., Post Office Inspector, in regard to these trucks:

> "Mr. Van Horn advised me that he would need a certain number of lift trucks at the depository, and I am enclosing herewith a copy of the specifications we have prepared for the lift trucks we will use. This may be of advantage to you as no doubt you will desire the same type as we use. As explained to Mr. Van Horn, it is essential that these trucks be not over 18 inches wide in order that they can go under the skids. The trucks we use at the platform can be left at the depository between shipments."

Will you please return to the Bureau the specifications for their lift trucks sent us by the Post Office Department after they have served your purpose?

Very truly yours,

Nellie Tayloe Ross

Director of the Mint.

Enclosure.

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August 20, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

I am enclosing correspondence received today from the State Department relative to the preparation of the coinage for the Government of Venezuela.

Will you please return this correspondence as promptly as possible to the Bureau with your letter stating the charges for this coinage, the amount of metal required, and other pertinent information to enable this Bureau to make reply to the State Department?

Very truly yours,

Nellie Tayloe Ross

Director of the Mint.

Enclosures.

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Via Government Facilities

August 20, 1936.

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Assay Offices, 1937.

Superintendent, U S Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.

Please have George Enz, William Aldridge, William J Beckman and John Lacher report to Knight, Medical Director, for reexamination immediately. Medical Director reports that they have not yet presented themselves.

Nellie Taylor Ross

Director of the Mint.

August 21, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

In accordance with the recommendation contained in your letter of August 20, 1936, you are authorized to purchase 1,500 yards of cotton canvas, 36 inches wide, 18 ounces per yard, from G. C. Fox of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, at the rate of $0.30½ per yard less 2% ten days; Mr. Fox being the only bidder out of three asked.

It is understood that the Department of Justice has granted a release for the procurement of this material in the commercial market.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Tayloe Ross

Director of the Mint.

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August 21, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

Will you please cause to be prepared and forwarded to the Bureau, to be used in the annual report, photographs of the California Pacific coin, the Old Spanish Trail coin, and the Rhode Island coin, all three of which were issued during the fiscal year 1936 and are therefore eligible for inclusion in our report.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Tayloe Ross

Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 491

August 21, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

This Bureau is in receipt of 36.73 fine ounces of milligram discs forwarded for the use of the Bureau laboratory.

Your courtesy in responding to our request so promptly is appreciated.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Tayloe Ross

Director of the Mint.

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August 24, 1936.

Superintendent, United States Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.
" " " " San Francisco, Calif.
" " " " Denver, Colo.
" U. S. Assay Office, New York, N. Y.
Assayer in Charge, U. S. Assay Office, Seattle, Wash.
" " " United States Mint, New Orleans, La.

Gentlemen:

Herewith please find additional list of certain corporations, dated August 20, 1936, received from the office of the Assistant General Counsel of the Bureau of Internal Revenue. Please forward to this office your answer stating whether or not your institution has any claims against any of the listed concerns.

Yours truly,

Nellie Taylor Ross

Director of the Mint.

F-S
Encl.

RG104 E-235 Vol 491

August 25, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

Enclosed are reports from the Medical Director of the Public Health Service in connection with the reexaminations requested for George Enz, John Lacher, William J. Beckman, and William Aldridge, for your information.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Tayloe Ross

Director of the Mint.

Enclosures

R.M

RG104 E-235 Vol 491

August 24, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

This will confirm our telephone conversation today, in which you were authorized and requested to send fifteen pairs of nickel dies to the Superintendent of the United States Mint at Denver, Colorado.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Tayloe Ross

Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 491

August 24, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

The Bureau is trying to trace a letter said to have been forwarded to us in May from Romeo Moorehead, 1926 Birchall Avenue, New York City, enclosing $1.90 for proof coins.

Will you advise the Bureau if this letter has reached you? It was addressed to the Secretary of the Treasury.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Taylor Ross

Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 491

August 26, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

This letter will be authority for you to accept the proposal of the Midvale Company to supply your Mint with 4,000 lbs. of 1-1/2 inch round tool steel, specially annealed, at $0.2069 per lb. for immediate delivery.

It is understood that this is the most advantageous bid when time of delivery is taken into consideration. It is understood also that immediate delivery is of importance to you.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Taylor Ross

Director of the Mint.

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August 26, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to the weekly figures supplied by you covering the receipt of gold and silver, grouped by imports, secondary, and new domestic, respectively.

Will you please advise the Bureau if in the secondary gold group you include gold coin or bullion purchased at $20.67 per ounce under the Secretary's Order of December 28, 1933?

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint.

August 26, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

Herewith please find a notice of exception of the General Accounting Office pertaining to October, 1935, voucher No. 3-10160. Will you please supply the requested information. If the disbursing officer's voucher numbers were entered on the Bureau's yellow copy of the pay roll, we could answer inquiries of this nature.

Yours truly,

P-S
Encl.

Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 491

August 26, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

Herewith please find bill of the Erie Railroad Company for cost of shipping nearly four tons of graphite electrodes to the Acheson Graphite Corporation at Niagara Falls, N. Y., as per attached bill of lading.

With return of the enclosures please advise whether this expense is chargeable to the Government, and if so, the reason therefor is requested.

Yours truly,

Director of the Mint.

F-S
Encls.

RG104 E-235 Vol 491

August 27, 1938.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

Mr. Brockett of the National Academy of Sciences has apprised the Bureau over the telephone this morning that Tiffany & Co. have the Watson Medal dies and are forwarding them to your Mint. This refers to the request of the National Academy of Sciences for specimens of this medal. This order is now at your Mint.

Mr. Brockett suggests that should these dies reach you by Express collect from Tiffany's, he will appreciate your courtesy in advising him of the amount of this Express charge.

Very truly yours,

Acting Director of the Mint.

O'R:d

August 27, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

The Bureau is just in receipt of bill of lading No. T382268 dated August 26, 1936, carrying indication of shipment of coin to the Chicago Federal Reserve Bank and indicating thereon standard silver dollars as well as minor coin.

Please give instructions that in future shipments of silver coin should be covered by separate bills of lading since the bills for payment thereof come under the jurisdiction of separate Treasury offices.

Yours truly,

F-S

Director of the Mint.

August 28, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

The Bureau has no record of contracts numbered T2m-311, T2m-321, and T2m-325. Will you please forward the contracts or indicate what disposition was made of them.

Yours truly,

Acting Director of the Mint.

F-S

August 28, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

I am enclosing a photostatic copy of a letter received from the Export-Import Bank of Washington, relative to coinage for Cuba, for your information and appropriate action.

Very truly yours,

Acting Director of the Mint.

O'R:d

Enclosure.

RG104 E-235 Vol 491

August 28, 1936.

Superintendent,
U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

Herewith find copy of letter received from the General Accounting Office regarding payment of claim for wages due the estate of James P. Hogan, late employee of your institution.

There is being held in the Bureau a short form payroll in the amount of $94.80, as also a record of retirement deductions in the amount of $778.87 awaiting a receipted bill from the undertaker incident to the burial of Mr. Hogan.

When the Bureau receives the receipted bill of the undertaker it will be attached to Form 1055 and sent to the General Accounting Office for settlement.

Very truly yours,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

P F

Via Government Facilities

August 31, 1936

Salaries and Expenses, Mints and Assay Offices, 1937.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Please send to San Francisco ten obverse and fifteen reverse nickel dies

M. M. O'REILLY
Acting Director of the Mint.

OR

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Via Government Facilities

September 1, 1936

Salaries and Expenses, Mints and
Assay Offices, 1936

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Please send immediately to San Francisco Mint fifteen pairs quarter

dollar dies

M. M. O'REILLY
Acting Director of the Mint.

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September 2, 1936.

Contingent Expenses, Office of
Director of the Mint, 1937 - 27502

I M M E D I A T E

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Revalue today September second without fail at usual rates one million five hundred thousand fine ounces purchase act silver bullion and seven hundred thousand fine ounces newly mined domestic silver bullion with usual treatment in accounts and usual report procedure for like transactions.

M. M. O'Reilly,
Acting Director Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 491

September 2, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

Enclosed is a copy of B. & W. Circular No. 566, regarding the termination of the certificate of authority issued by the Secretary of the Treasury to the Western and Southern Indemnity Company of Cincinnati, Ohio. You are requested to furnish the information called for in this circular and forward it to this office as soon as possible in order that a report may be made to the Section of Surety Bonds.

Very truly yours,

Acting Director of the Mint.

Enclosure

MDM

RG104 E-235 Vol 491

September 2, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

Under date of September 1, 1936, the Acting Secretary of the Treasury approved the designs for the Elgin Memorial coin executed by Mr. Trygve A. Rovelstad.

The plaster models of these designs are now at your mint.

This letter will be authority for you to proceed with the preparation of the dies and the coins at your convenience.

Very truly yours,

Acting Director of the Mint.

O'R:d

RG104 E-235 Vol 491

September 4, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

This will confirm our telephone conversation of this morning, in which you were authorized and requested to forward to the Superintendent, United States Mint, San Francisco, California, one dozen large and one-half dozen small nickel collars.

Very truly yours,

Acting Director of the Mint

O'R:d

RG104 E-235 Vol 491

September 4, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

We are forwarding today under separate cover a parcel containing scrap gold, which was sent to this office by M. Schwartz, Orangeburg, South Carolina.

Mr. Schwartz has been notified that this package has been sent to you.

Very truly yours,

Acting Director of the Mint.

O'R:d

RG104 E-235 Vol 491

September 5, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

This letter will be authority for you to purchase an electric cloth-cutting machine, with 5" circular knife, from S. Bolder & Company, Inc., at a cost of $155.00 less 2% ten days; this being the lowest of 3 bids received of 3 asked.

It is understood that this machine is to replace one which has been in use for a number of years and is worn out.

Very truly yours,

T. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

O'R:d

RG104 E-235 Vol 491

September 8, 1936

Contingent Expenses, Office of
Director of the Mint, 1937 - 27502

I M M E D I A T E

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Revalue today September eighth without fail at usual rates five million eight hundred thousand fine ounces purchase act silver bullion and four hundred thousand fine ounces newly mined domestic silver bullion with usual treatment in accounts and usual report procedure for like transactions.

Nellie Tayloe Ross, N.T.R.
Director Mint

RG104 E-235 Vol 491

September 9, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

Mr. Jennings Hood has called at this Department, stating that he desires to purchase from the Mint a number of the portrait sidesof the Presidential medal in the form of a shell to be mounted by him for sale.

There is no objection to this order being accepted by you.

A copy of this letter is being sent to Mr. Hood.

Very truly yours,

H. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

O'R/eh

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Via Government Facilities

September 10, 1936.

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Assay Offices, 1937.

Superintendent, U S Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.

Ret'd September nine eight unskilled laborers recommended for temporary appointment approved for a period not to exceed ninety days.

Director of the Mint.

September 10, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

With reference to your letter of September 8th forwarding August bullion vouchers, affidavits, etc., in nine packages, I have to advise that the bullion abstract sheets, said to have been included, have not been found although the entire nine packages were received.

Yours truly,

Director of the Mint.

F-S

September 10, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

Please advise the Bureau as to the number of Norse-American medals struck in silver and in bronze. Also please forward any general information you may have on the type of medals made.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Taylor Ross

Director of the Mint.

O'R/eh

September 11, 1936.

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Assay Offices, 1937.

Superintendent, US Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.

Under date of September tenth the Secretary approved the design executed by Miss Lathrop for the Albany commemorative coin.

Nellie Taylor Ross,
Director of the Mint.

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September 11, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

One copy of your July bullion account current is returned for correction in the gold bar account of the amount of commercial bars manufactured and sold for cash, which evidently should be $41,163.23 instead of $41,241.98; this necessitates the changing of page totals and amounts carried forward, throughout the account current.

Supporting papers with the accounts indicate the total bar charges for the month $37.05 and the total handling charges $1,776.96 instead of $58.07 for the former and $1,755.94 for the latter as shown by regional account current. In depositing the charges on bar sale of July 29th the items were reversed; correct amounts should have been $32.84 handling charge and $11.82 bar charge, making the differences shown above, $21.02.

Deposit certificates numbered 38 and 527 are returned for completion of the registry certificates thereon. While a registry receipt accompanies each, such receipt cannot be definitely identified with the particular transaction except by examining the record in the office of the issuing postmaster (identified only by registry number); therefore the Superintendent of the mint should certify delivery when cash is transmitted by common carrier.

Deposit certificate numbered 848 is returned for counter signature of the assayer.

The Bureau has no record of contract No. T2m-327, Nathan Trotter & Co., minor coinage metal fund. Voucher No. 45 refers to this contract, so it is needed for verification purposes. Please forward each contract promptly after it is made.

Please forward copy of Bureau's authority for purchases represented by voucher No. 3-1478 in favor of Pyrometer Instrument Co., and voucher No. 3-1479 in favor of Wilson Mechanical Instrument Co., for a hardness tester.

Please forward the usual certificate relative to disposition of gloves, to support purchase from N. Segal & Son, voucher No. 3-1480.

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Please forward a certified bill to support your laundry charge on voucher No. 3-1477 in favor of the Windsor Laundry, $11.00. The bill accompanying the voucher carries no quantities.

Please forward duplicate voucher in favor of the Marine Corps for ribbon, voucher No. 3-2808.

Please also forward a statement and certificate of award to support voucher No. 3-2814 in favor of the Garlock Packing Co. for gaskets; the certificate attached to the voucher is unsigned.

Reference is made to vouchers Nos. 3-3099 and 3-3100, respectively, for $6.00 and $1.50, in favor of the Superintendent of the Mint for delivery of special Navy medals on July 29th. Please advise the Bureau as to what is meant by the delivery charge, also whether the Navy Department reimburses the mint for such charges.

Voucher No. 3-1621 in favor of the City of Philadelphia Water Department for water consumed during the fiscal year 1936 carries indication of necessity for prorating the charges for part of the year, incident to failure of one of the meters to properly register - meter G-479365. It is understood that this meter has not been properly registering for several recent years; if this is correct, perhaps the meter should be repaired or replaced.

There are returned herewith, for your files, two extra copies of each water meter bill, also papers pertaining to voucher No. 3-2156 for purchase of electric floor machine.

Yours truly,

Director of the Mint.

P-F-R
Encls.

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September 11, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

This letter will confirm telephone communication of September 10th, authorizing you to enter into contract with the Riverside Metal Company for 100,000 pounds of U. S. 1¢ bronze pieces, at the rate of $0.39375 per pound; this being the lower of two bids received of three asked.

You are also authorized to contract with the Scovill Manufacturing Company for 100,000 pounds of U. S. 5¢ nickel blanks at the rate of 49½¢ per pound; this being the lower of two bids received of three asked.

It is understood that in asking for bids on these blanks, a clause was embodied in the specifications in which the Government took a 30-day option on doubling the above quantities if the demand for coins warranted such action. You are hereby authorized to exercise this option in both cases provided the demand for these two denominations warrants it.

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint.

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September 11, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

This Bureau is in receipt of your letters of September 1st and September 8th, relative to the opening of vaults now under joint seal, which will be necessary to permit workmen and others access to the vaults for the purpose of installing protective devices and wiring connected with such devices.

This letter will be approval of your suggestion that the following named persons shall represent the Director of the Mint during the time the vaults are open:

Mr. Harold G. Kulp	Chief, Capital Stock Tax, Internal Revenue Dept., Phila.	Chairman
Mr. James R. Byrnes	Guard, Customs House, Phila., Pa.	Representative of Director of Mint.
Mr. Geo. H. Tolman	Cooperator, Veterans Admn., Phila., Pa.	Representative of Director of Mint.

It is understood that these men will witness the opening and the temporary sealing during the period of time when it is necessary to have the vaults at the disposal of the workmen, and finally, the joint sealing of the vaults and that all values shall remain constantly in the vision of these non-Mint employees while the vaults are open.

There should be two representatives of the Director of the Mint continuously on duty and the third one is to be used at intervals for relief of the two. It is understood that the Director's representative shall not be relieved by a non-Director's representative for any purpose or for any interval of time. The Director's representative should not leave his post until relieved by another

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Director's representative. Please request the representatives of the Director to specifically state in their report that this direction was complied with. It is understood, of course, that the Superintendent will also have representatives whom he is free to designate.

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint.

September 11, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

This letter will confirm telephone communication of September 10th, authorizing you to accept a proposal received from the American Smelting and Refining Company on 60,000 pounds of cathode copper for alloy, at the rate of 9¾¢ per pound.

It is understood that the above bid was one of two equal bids received of four asked, award being made by drawing lots.

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint.

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September 12, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

Enclosed is a letter from Mr. C. W. Spofford, Manager, Veterans Administration, Dayton, Ohio, giving the leave record of Mr. George W. Ackerman, who was transferred to your office on August 3, 1936.

Enclosed also is official bond in the name of Mary K. Mann. It is requested that the address of the principal be inserted on the bond with approval of the surety.

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint.

Enclosures

R:M

September 12, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

The Venezuelan Government has, through the State Department, requested that we proceed with the coinage proposed for that Government. This coinage is to be executed under the terms set forth in your letter of August 21, 1936.

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint.

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September 14, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

The following communication has been received from the U. S. Civil Service Commission in regard to the request that a waiver of objections to the appointments of John Lacher, William J. Beckman, William Aldridge and George Enz as guards be granted:

"The Commission refers to the Department's letter of September 2, 1936, requesting a waiver of objections to the appointments of John Lacher, William J. Beckman, William Aldridge, and George Enz, to guard positions in the Mint service at Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

"Medical certificates submitted in connection with the examinations of these men are being secured from the District Manager for review, and the Department will be advised later as to the Commission's decision."

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint.

R:M

RG104 E-235 Vol 491

September 15, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

It is necessary to replenish funds available to the Disbursing Officer in Washington for paying expenses of distributing new minor coin. As profits on minor coinage accrue, please forward to the Mint Bureau the bullion fund checks representing such profits, to a total of $30,000, drawn in favor of G. F. Allen, Chief Disbursing Officer, Washington, D. C. No supporting documents need be drawn by you. The Bureau will forward the checks to the Disbursing Officer with advice for taking them into account as collections in his Special Deposit Account. On the bullion fund account current, in the B. F. Depositary Account, insert the disbursing officer's name against the item representing amount forwarded for charge in his special deposit account.

Yours truly,

Lewis Douglas

F-S

Director of the Mint.

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G'R/ob

September 16, 1936.

Salaries and Expenses, Mints and
Assay Offices, 1937.

Superintendent, US Mint, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Authorized to accept proposal of the International Nickel Company to provide your Mint with 25,000 pounds of electrolytic cathode nickel at the rate of naught decimal three three seven naught cents per pound this being the only bid received of three asked payment to be made from Minor Coinage Metal Fund.

Nellie Tayloe Ross,
Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 491

September 16, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

I am inclosing a copy of the telegram today addressed to the Superintendent of the Mint at Denver.

This letter will confirm telephone communication authorizing you to accept for the account of the Denver Mint 130,000 pounds of bronze blanks at 41-7/8ths cents per pound, including delivery, from the Riverside Metal Company, and 50,000 pounds of nickel blanks at 52¼ cents per pound, including delivery, from the Scovill Manufacturing Company.

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint.

Inclosure.
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RG104 E-235 Vol 491

September 17, 1936

Contingent Expenses, Office of
Director of the Mint, 1937 - 27502

I M M E D I A T E

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Revalue today September seventeenth without fail at usual rates nine hundred thousand fine ounces purchase act silver bullion and one million three hundred thousand fine ounces newly mined domestic silver bullion with usual treatment in accounts and usual report procedure for like transactions.

Nellie Tayloe Ross
Director Mint

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September 17, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

This letter will confirm telephone communication of today, authorizing you to forward to San Francisco twenty pairs of dime dies.

Very truly yours,

Nellie Taylor Ross

Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 491

September 17, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

Herewith please find copy of Regulations prescribed by the Secretary of Labor, pamphlet 504, relative to conditions applicable to the making of Government purchases.

Please note that these regulations become effective September 28, 1936, and that they are effective for purchases in excess of $10,000.

It is believed that practically all Mint Service contracts will be for amounts under $10,000, except for the purchase of minor coinage metal and blanks.

This Bureau has made inquiry of the following firms that have supplied coinage blanks as to whether they will be in position to conform to the prescribed regulations and supply coinage blanks within the time specified. A copy of one of these inquiries is enclosed for your information. If you know of any other firms qualified to manufacture and supply minor coinage blanks, will you please furnish their addresses to this office promptly.

Scovill Manufacturing Co., Waterbury, Conn.
Riverside Metal Co., Riverside, N. J.

It appears probable that firms qualified to supply copper and nickel metal will be in position to conform to the specified conditions, so that undue delay will not materialize in procurement thereof. However, it is suggested that when such bids are invited plenty of time be allowed before delivery becomes essential.

Yours truly,

Nellie Taylor Ross

Director of the Mint.

T-2
Encl.

RG104 E-235 Vol 491

September 18, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

In accordance with the recommendation contained in your letter of September 17th, you are authorized to purchase from the Niagara Falls Smelting and Refining Corp., 5,000 pounds of phosphor-copper, short form, at the rate of 14¼¢ per pound less ½ of 1% ten days.

It is understood that four bids were invited and three responded, two firms quoting identical prices on the low bid, and that the award was made by lot.

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint.

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RG104 E-235 Vol 491

September 18, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

This letter will confirm telephone request of today, asking that ten pairs of quarter dollar dies be forwarded to the Mint at Denver.

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint.

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RG104 E-235 Vol 491

September 18, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

This letter will confirm request by telephone today to have twelve standard size large quarter dollar coin collars sent to the Mint at San Francisco.

Very truly yours,

Director of the Mint.

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September 18, 1936

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1937

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Please forward to Denver Mint patterns for cutting machines.

NELLIE TAYLOE ROSS
Director.

LTR.

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September 19, 1936.

Superintendent, United States Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.
" " " " San Francisco, Calif.
" " " " Denver, Colo.
" U. S. Assay Office, New York, N. Y.
Assayer in Charge, U. S. Assay Office, Seattle, Wash.
" " " United States Mint, New Orleans, La.

Gentlemen:

Herewith please find additional list of certain corporations, dated September 17, 1936, received from the office of the Assistant General Counsel of the Bureau of Internal Revenue. Please forward to this office your answer stating whether or not your institution has any claims against any of the listed concerns.

Yours truly,

Nellie Taylor Ross

Director of the Mint.

F-S
Encl.

September 22, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

Please forward to San Francisco twenty obverse dime dies.

Very truly yours,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

O'R/eh

Via Government Facilities

September 23, 1936.

Salaries and Expenses, Mints and
Assay Offices, 1937

Superintendent, U S Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.

Recommendation for temporary appointment of twenty helpers approved.

O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

September 23, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

Early last June you advised the Bureau by telegram, in reply to our inquiry, that the following obligations had been created by you against the special $150,000 appropriation for protective devices; namely, $970.20, $1,581.00 and $1,036.43. Will you please forward to the Bureau copies of authorizations given you for creating such obligations, also if any other obligations were created by you against this appropriation, forward copies of your authorizations therefor.

Yours truly,

M. M. O'Reilly

F-S

Acting Director of the Mint.

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Via Government Facilities

September 24, 1936

Salaries and Expenses, Mints and
Assay Offices, 1937

Superintendent, U S Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.

In accordance with Treasury Department Order Number five, field officers of this Department are authorized, in an emergency, to make appointments of duly qualified persons to fill positions under their supervision subject to subsequent Departmental approval STOP You may make appointments of the men recommended and Departmental approval will be obtained and forwarded as soon as possible.

O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 491

September 24, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter of September 11th, requesting that 5 uniforms, caps and Sam Brown belts be furnished for the guards.

A special fund providing for these uniforms was limited to the fiscal year 1936. Any purchases of this kind during the current fiscal year must be made from the Emergency Banking fund. As the allotment for the field service is now very heavily overdrawn it has been decided to hold this request until we have accumulated some balance in this fund.

Very truly yours,

Acting Director of the Mint.

O'R/eh

RG104 E-235 Vol 491

September 24, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

This will confirm telephone communication authorizing you to forward to Denver twenty pairs of quarter dollar dies.

Very truly yours,

H. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

O'R/eh

RG104 E-235 Vol 491

September 24, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

This letter will confirm telephone communication of yesterday morning, requesting you to forward to the Mint at Denver a sufficient number of Columbia Sesquicentennial half dollar dies to permit the Superintendent to complete his order of 8,000 pieces. He has already coined, from the dies sent by you, 7,360 Columbia Sesquicentennial half dollars and apparently he will need but few dies to complete the balance of the 8,000 piece order.

Very truly yours,

Acting Director of the Mint.

C'R/eh

RG104 E-235 Vol 491

September 24, 1936

Mr. Edwin Dressel, Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

My dear Mr. Dressel:

This Bureau has been informed by the postoffice inspection division, that the skids and boxes which were being made for use during the gold movement to Fort Knox, are finished and ready for delivery to the Philadelphia Mint and the Assay Office at New York, where they are to be stored until we are ready to start moving the gold.

This letter is your authority to receive the skids and boxes, and to store them until such time as they are needed.

Yours very truly,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

O'R:W

RG104 E-235 Vol 491

September 25, 1936.

Superintendent,
U S Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

Please forward to the Bureau your appropriation transactions statement for the month of August 1936 as it has apparently not been received.

Very truly yours,

Nell A. Taylor Ross

Director of the Mint.

P F

RG104 E-235 Vol 491

September 26, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

You are hereby authorized to accept the proposal of the Riverside Metal Company to supply your Mint with 200,000 pounds of one-cent bronze blanks at 39-5/8¢ per pound, and the proposal of the Scovill Manufacturing Company for 200,000 pounds of nickel blanks at 49 3/4¢ per pound, these being the lowest bids received in each case.

Very truly yours,

Acting Director of the Mint.

O'R/ch

RG104 E-235 Vol 491

September 29, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

A communication has been received from the Civil Service Commission to the effect that Mr. Dennis G. White, who is employed as a temporary helper in your institution, is holding the political office of committeeman of the 14th Ward, 9th Division, in Philadelphia, and is very active in politics.

The Commission calls attention to section 1 of Civil Service rule I, and to sections 118 and 119 of the Criminal Code, relating to political activity. A copy of Form 1236 is enclosed in order that Mr. White may become familiar with the provisions mentioned above. The Commission also recommends that Mr. White be cautioned to refrain from further political activity.

Very truly yours,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

Enclosure

MDM

RG104 E-235 Vol 491

September 29, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

There is forwarded you to-day 15.00 ounces of fine gold cornets and two fine silver bars weighing 35.60 and 29.93 ounces respectively.

In exchange please furnish the Bureau the equivalent in proof gold, 40 ounces of 300 mg. discs and the balance in 200 mg discs.

Very truly yours,

N. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

Q.

RG104 E-235 Vol 491

September 29, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

In accordance with the recommendation contained in your letter of September 28th, you are authorized to purchase from the Buffalo Wire Works Company, Inc., a grille containing about 105 square feet, for use around your coin counting room, at a price of $135.00.

It is understood that the above bid was the only one received of three invited.

Very truly yours,

N. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

O'R/eh

RG104 E-235 Vol 491

September 29, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

Will you please advise the Bureau the number of proof coins you have made so far. Not sets but the number of coins, by denominations.

Very truly yours,

Acting Director of the Mint.

O'R/eh

RG104 E-235 Vol 491

D'H/eh

September 30, 1936.

Salaries and Expenses, Mints and
Assay Offices, 1937.

Superintendent, US Mint, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Please forward to Denver quarter dollar and nickel tools for dressing milling machine and twenty nickel collars for larger presses.

M.M.O'Reilly,
Acting Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 491

September 30, 1936.

Contingent Expenses, Office of
Director of the Mint, 1937 - 27502

I M M E D I A T E

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Revalue today September thirtieth without fail at usual rates eight hundred thousand fine ounces purchase act silver bullion and one million eight hundred thousand fine ounces newly mined domestic silver bullion with usual treatment in accounts and usual report procedure for like transactions.

M. M. O'Reilly,
Acting Director Mint
OR

F

RG104 E-235 Vol 491

September 30, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

With reference to your letter of September 25th please be advised that the claim of Mr. Hollenback, for additional amount alleged to be due under his contract for supplying coal during the fiscal year 1936, has been forwarded to the Procurement Division for consideration, and you will doubtless be advised if additional evidence should be required to support the claim.

Yours truly,

M M Rosell

Acting Director of the Mint.

F-S

RG104 E-235 Vol 491

September 30, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

You are respectfully requested to forward a Personal History Statement for Mr. James C. Ayres who was transferred to your institution from the Frankford Arsenal, in order that a request may be made for his previous government service and retirement deductions.

Very truly yours,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

MDM

RG104 E-235 Vol 491

October 1, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

I am inclosing a copy of a letter received through the State Department from the Chinese Embassy at Washington, relative to the preparation of certain types of master dies and hubs for Chinese coins. This letter is self-explanatory. Please proceed with the preparation of the dies requested.

It will be noted that the reeded edge now like that on the United States silver coins is to be used instead of the special type of edge previously requested by the Chinese representatives.

Very truly yours,

M. W. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

Inclosure.
O'R/eh

RG104 E-235 Vol 491

October 1, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

In accordance with the recommendation contained in your letter of September 30th, you are authorized to purchase, for alloy purposes, 60,000 pounds of electrolytic cathode copper from the American Smelting & Refining Company, at the rate of 9¾¢ per pound.

It is understood that the above bid was one of two equal bids received of four asked and that award was made by lot.

Very truly yours,

Acting Director of the Mint.

O'R/eh

RG104 E-235 Vol 491

October 2, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your requisition on Form 1 "Voucher Authority" for 5,000 Mint Form 497, Property Pass, with a note attached thereto stating that you are entirely out of these forms. Our records show that the Division of Printing has sent you 5,000 of these forms on August 14, 1936.

If you fail to find the forms, please advise.

Yours truly,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

L-S

RG104 E-235 Vol 491

O'R/al

October 5, 1936.

Salaries and Expenses, Mints and
Assay Offices, 1937.

Superintendent, US Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.

Bureau in receipt of formal notification from Mr. Austin Hansen of designation of Mr. Trygve Rovelstad as Chairman, Elgin Centennial Monumental Committee STOP You are authorized to deliver the Elgin memorial coins upon the request of Mr. Rovelstad to the agent named by him.

M.M.O'Reilly,
Acting Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 491

October 2, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

The Assayer has called attention to the fact that your assay slips, reporting the deliveries of coins, are not in copying ink. Will you kindly have this corrected?

Very truly yours,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

O'R/eh

October 3, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

Complying with the recent exception taken by the General Accounting Office that the regular payroll for your institution does not show the correct classification grades, this office has administratively placed the following employees in the grades listed beside their names:

Name	Title	Salary	Grade
Dressel, Edwin H.	Superintendent	$6,000	CAF-13
Roland, Ralph	Chief Clerk & Asst. Supt.	4,600	CAF-12
Sinnock, John R.	Engraver	4,800	P-5
Ziegler, Chester W.	Assayer	4,600	P-5
Coleman, Hubert D.	Supt., M. & R. Dept.	4,800	P-5
Bartholomew, Wm. T.	Supt., Coining Dept.	4,800	CAF-12
Pietz, Adam	Asst. Engraver	3,600	P-3
McCann, George A.	Cashier	3,100	CAF-8
Smith, Howard	Foreman Machinists	2,900	CAF-7
Cannon, Dennis J.	Asst. Supt., Coining Dept.	2,900	CAF-8
Graham, Robert S.	Clk.in Chg.Deposit Weigh Room	2,800	CAF-7
Dowd, Paul J.	Asst. Assayer	2,600	P-2
Hershey, William P.	Foreman of Assay Laboratory	2,600	CAF-6
Ott, Hibberd	Asst. Cashier	2,500	CAF-6
Shook, Clarence R.	Asst. Supt., M. & R. Dept.	2,500	P-1
Loser, Earl G.	Asst. Bookkeeper	2,300	CAF-6
Pepper, Jacob	Asst.Clk.in Chg.Deposit Weigh Room	2,300	CAF-6
Hamilton, Franklin B.	Foreman Steamfitter-Plumber	2,400	CU-9
Boyce, Willard S.	Fmn. Transfer Weigh Room	2,300	CU-9
Rodgers, Thomas D.	Junior Assayer	2,300	SP-6
Hallman, Wallace L.	Supt. of Building	2,400	CU-8
Davis, Joseph B.	Storekeeper	2,200	CAF-5
Steed, Ann M.	Abstract Clerk in Charge	2,000	CAF-5
Joyce, Chas. H.	Clerk	2,200	CAF-5
Kaufman, Jewry	Clerk	2,200	CAF-5
Hahs, Adelaide M.	Sr. Clerk	2,000	CAF-5
Evans, J. Paul	Skilled Workman	2,400	CU-8

Name	Title	Salary	Grade
McKernan, Edwd. F.	Skilled Workman	$2,400	CU-8
Freas, Howard E.	" "	2,300	CU-8
Gallagher, John J.	" "	2,260	CU-8
Huston, Geo. B.	" "	2,260	CU-8
Moore, Helen C.	Private Secretary	2,040	CAF-4
Brooks, Charles E.	Clerk	1,920	CAF-4
Corcoran, Mary S.	Clerk	1,800	CAF-3
Klein, Helen M.	Clerk	1,800	CAF-3
Tibbils, Annie	Clerk	1,800	CAF-3
Curran, Anna	Calculating Machine Clerk	1,800	CAF-3
Stites, Viola M.	" " "	1,800	CAF-3
Philippi, Frank J.	Captain of the Guard	1,920	CU-7
Brennan, Wm. H.	Asst. Captain of the Guard	1,740	CU-6
Kane, James	" " "	1,740	CU-6
All guards at $1,680 recently reallocated to grade CU-6.			
Harkins, Victor M.	Payroll Clerk-Timekeeper	1,440	CAF-2
Steinetz, Martin G.	Junior Stenographer	1,440	CAF-2
Taylor, Bertha C.	" "	1,440	CAF-2
Silberman, Margaret C.	Jr. Calculating Machine Opr.	1,440	CAF-2
McDougall, Harry S.	Helper	1,440	CU-4
Hughes, Ruth M.	Charwoman	1,140	CU-2
O'Connor, Catherine	Charwoman	1,140	CU-2

If the above classification grades meet with your approval, it is requested that you show these grades on the regular payroll beginning with the period October 1-15, 1936.

You are also requested to use the classification grades in recommending promotions for any of the above employees, or recommending the appointment of a new employee. A table is enclosed showing the different services, the grades and salaries coming under each, for your information and use.

Very truly yours,

M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

MDM

RG104 E-235 Vol 491

October 5, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

I am inclosing two medals received from Mr. Charles Hardy of New York, and also a letter received from him under date of September 29th. The inclosed correspondence is self-explanatory.

Will you please submit these to the Engraver and make such comments as you see fit in regard to Mr. Hardy's proposal.

Very truly yours,

W. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

Enclosures.
O'R/eh

RG104 E-235 Vol 491

October 6, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

Enclosed are Government Bills of Lading Nos. T-382226, T-382227, and T-382200.

Bill of Lading T-382200 should have the "Certificate of Issuing Officer" completed by the signature of the proper officer, and should then be forwarded to the Continental Car-Na-Var Corporation for certification as to pick-up service at origin.

No. T-382227 should have the Certificate of Issuing Officer completed, and then be returned to this office.

No. T-382226 should have the Certificate of Issuing Officer completed, and should then be forwarded to Chas. Glass and Son for completion both as to name and address of consignor and as to pick-up service at origin.

Will you please request the consignors of the shipments covered by T-382226 and T-382200 to complete and return these Bills of Lading to this office as soon as possible, in order that the voucher of the transportation company which these documents support may be placed in line for payment?

Very truly yours,

Acting Director of the Mint.

P:d F

Enclosures.

RG104 E-235 Vol 491

October 6, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter of October 2nd relative to the General Accounting Office request for indication of name of the remitter, on schedules of moneys collected.

It is suggested that the request of the General Accounting Office be complied with as regards such odd items as collections from telephone company, refund of overpayments on vouchers, etc., but that, until further requested, your present procedure be continued as regards collections from the special assays, on medal sales, proof coins, altered coins, etc.

Yours truly,

M. M. Reely

F-S

Acting Director of the Mint.

October 6, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of October 5th, regarding the classification grades for certain employees of your institution. You are correct in respect to the grades for the employees mentioned in your letter. No grades should be shown for the foremen and the skilled workmen and Mr. Hershey is correctly allocated in grade P-2.

It is requested that, if it is possible, as many of the grades as possible be shown on the payroll for the period October 1-15, inclusive, as the General Accounting Office has been notified that they will appear on this payroll.

Very truly yours,

Acting Director of the Mint.

MTM

October 7, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

Will you please forward the original of contract numbered T2m-329. Several contracts bearing later numbers have been received, but that mentioned above has not arrived.

The Bureau has repeatedly requested that the originals of all numbered contracts be forwarded promptly and not retained until deliveries are made and vouchers prepared. Will you please take steps to insure that the contracts are forwarded promptly in future.

Yours truly,

F-S

Acting Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 491

October 7, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

In accordance with the recommendation contained in your letter of October 6th, you are authorized to purchase two semi-steel retorts for use in your #17 heating machines, from the American Gas Furnace Company, at a cost of $189.00 each less 1% ten days.

It is understood that the above bid was the lowest of three received.

It is further understood that the retorts are required to replace two which have burned out by reason of long usage.

Very truly yours,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

O'R/eh

RG104 E-235 Vol 491

October 7, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

In accordance with the recommendation contained in your letter of October 6th, you are authorized to purchase enough machine-steel forgings to build 25 trucks, at a total cost of $362.50 less 1% ten days, the purchase to be made from the Cann & Saul Steel Company.

It is understood that the above bid was the lowest of three received of four invited.

Very truly yours,

Acting Director of the Mint.

O'R/eh

RG104 E-235 Vol 491

October 7, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

In accordance with the recommendation contained in your letter of October 5th, you are authorized to purchase, from the Burroughs Adding Machine Company, one Burroughs machine, style 41017, electrically operated, with 12" carriage, 10-column capacity, at a total cost, including stand, of $328.50, delivered at the Mint.

It is understood that this machine is listed in the General Schedule of Supplies, under Item 54-M-4795 (d) (2), and is to replace a very much worn machine in the office of the Superintendent of the Coining Department of the Mint.

Very truly yours,

Acting Director of the Mint.

O'R/eh

RG104 E-235 Vol 491

October 8, 1936.

Contingent Expenses, Office of
Director of the Mint, 1937 - 27502

I M M E D I A T E

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Revalue today October eighth without fail at usual rates one million three hundred thousand fine ounces purchase act silver bullion and nine hundred thousand fine ounces newly mined domestic silver bullion with usual treatment in accounts and usual report procedure for like transactions.

M. M. O'Reilly,
Acting Director Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 491

O'R/eh

October 10, 1936.

Salaries and Expenses, Mints and
Assay Offices, 1937.

Superintendent, US Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.

Please forward to Denver twenty obverse dime dies.

M.M.O'Reilly,
Acting Director of the Mint.

O'R/eh

October 9, 1936.

Salaries and Expenses, Mints and
Assay Offices, 1937.

Superintendent, US Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.

Authorized to purchase three hundred thousand pounds of copper from Nathan Trotter and Company at ten and one-quarter cents per pound.

M.M.O'Reilly,
Acting Director of the Mint.

O'R.O.

October 10, 1936.

Salaries and Expenses, Mints and
Assay Offices, 1937.

Superintendent, US Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.

Please forward to San Francisco fifteen obverse dime dies, twenty pairs nickel dies, ten pairs one-cent dies and ten pairs half dollar dies.

M.M.O'Reilly,
Acting Director of the Mint.

RG104 E-235 Vol 491

October 12, 1936.

Superintendent,
United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

The Bureau is forwarding today sculptured models for the San Francisco-Oakland Bay Bridge coin.

Considerable delay has occurred incident to the decision on this design and the Bureau is very anxious to co-operate with the San Francisco-Oakland Bay Bridge Celebration by expediting the completion of this die as quickly as possible. I realize that this is something you cannot hasten particularly, but hope the treatment of this model will be given consideration for the reason that the celebration takes place in November.

Very truly yours,

M. M. O'Reilly

Acting Director of the Mint.

O'R/eh